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I. POLICY STATEMENT:

It is important that the PMIEF establish evaluation criteria for approving grants.

II. PURPOSE:

Provide evaluation criteria for grant approval.

III. DESIRED RESULTS/OBJECTIVES:

Establish grant evaluation criteria to help the Program Committee make appropriate grant approval decisions.

IV. DEFINITIONS:

NA

V. POLICY DISSEMINATION:

Internal: PMIEF Board and staff

External: PMIEF Web site and other appropriate venues

V. SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION: The PMIEF Program Committee Evaluation Criteria Policy on the following page.

PMIEF Program Committee Evaluation Criteria Policy

The following principles guide the Program Committee in its grant-making decisions while preserving the flexibility to respond to changing needs and emerging opportunities.

The Foundation provides funding in three primary areas, reflecting the interests of its donors and the special responsibility of the foundation to support a range of activities that together strengthen the fabric of its community.

The PMI® Educational Foundation vision is to champion project management and skills for educational and social good. The programs center on the use of project management to improve society by:

- Expanding educational opportunities for future project managers through academic and work-based learning initiatives.
- Preparing primary and secondary students for success in life by using projects to teach them critical applied skills.
- Helping relief and development organizations use their limited resources more efficiently and effectively by increasing their project management capacity.

In addition to these principles, the Foundation considers numerous criteria in evaluating grant applications:

- Is there demonstrated need and demand for the proposed project?
- Will the proposed project benefit a meaningful number of people?
- Does the organization have the institutional capacity, including qualified staff, to successfully undertake the proposed project?
- Are there appropriate governance and oversight responsibilities?
- Has the proposed project been thoroughly developed and carefully planned?
- Have the individuals expected to benefit from the project been consulted in its development?
- Is the budget for the proposed project detailed, realistic, and cost-effective?
- Are metrics and performance standards in place?
- Is the Foundation the most appropriate source of funding?
- What other sources of support have been requested?
- Has a long-term funding plan been developed to support the proposed project beyond the term of the Foundation's support?

Purposes for Which Grants Are Not Made

The Foundation does not make grants from its unrestricted funds for:

- Sectarian or religious activities
- Grants to private foundations
- Endowments or memorials
- Direct or grass-roots lobbying efforts
- Sustaining support for recurring operating expenses