

Mill Street Home and School Parent Association and Board Meeting Agenda Tues March 14-2017

Meeting started at 1:21PM. Participants: Karin Simons, Kristin Fitzgerald, Kristie Coyle, Jen Weber, Beth Bava, Beth Sanall, Jackie Barkdoll, Eunice Chaney, Mary Anne Willing, Behrang Rashidian, M Ivnova, Rebecca Flood, Jennifer Dietz, Kristin Porter, Sara Haumesser, Kelly O'Malley, Monika Bicker, Cindy Smucker, Sarah Dunne, Audrey Brodrick, Danielle Bourgeois, Sarah Alaimo, Amy Swiatek, Carly Nguyen, Dasa Paulala, Melissa Zbiegiel, Kathy Sopkovich, Donna Lehmann, Emily Hynes, Sue Salness, Robyn Rippel, Tonya Schmidt, Daneen Van Hyning, Mrs. Lehmann, 34 Total

Principal's Report – Mrs. Robyn Rippel Thank you for all the conference food! Thank you also for the increase in communication for after school activities. Notes on transportation are important! The Mustang Minute will begin to be distributed in Spanish. This opens more info to all of our families. Announced to committee chairs to begin to have the info for the MM to Daneen each Wed by 12/Noon. She mentioned to please let us know how the communication regarding school events is going. Feedback is helpful!

Introduced New Principal Salness! Robyn explained how they are working together on the Principal position transition. Sue has started to spend some time at Mill St learning all she can about the school!

Secretary Report – Daneen Van Hyning The last meeting minutes from the Jan 2017 were approved. BS made the motion to approve, B.B. made the 2nd motion. The minutes are approved. Reminded the committee chairs to now have info each Wednesday by 12/noon for the Mustang Minute. We need the extra two days for the new Spanish translation! Reminder on the March district community sheet – the page is now up on the Mill St website under Home & School. Also, the general meeting minutes will be posted on the website within 1 week of each general meeting. A thank you to H&S was read from Mrs. Paladino.

Treasurer's Report – Monika Bicker The current bank account balance is \$37, 831.23. The Adult Social event raised \$12, 667 – big success! Currently everything is on track with our H&S budget.

Vice President – Cindy Smucker Thank you to Book Fair! Great job on all of the volunteer help. Great work on OBOS and Kindergarten Preview – thank you to everyone involved! There are lots of committee chair jobs open for next school year. Cindy listed a few of the open positions. Please contact Cindy Smucker for a current list of openings.

President's Report – Kelly O'Malley and Tonya Schmidt The H&S Bylaws and Policies have been revised and the committee chairs have received a copy of the new updates. A motion was made to approve, R.F. made the motion and K.F. made the 2nd motion. The updated Bylaws and Policies are approved.

Teacher Liaison – Mr. Lehmann Thank you for the H&S re-purchasing of the playground balls. The food was great at the recent parent/teacher conferences. The OBOS closing event was fun. There were wonderful reviews on the monkeys!! Also, thank you for all of the field trip funds! This is a big help!

Committee Reports

Book Fair – Mary Ann Willing and Eunice Chaney

Thank you for all of your support at the event. The money raised was similar to Fall 2016, no final numbers yet.

SFCP- Kristin Fitzgerald

OBOS had a great turnout!! 700 hotdogs served! The wildlife exhibit was terrific! They were able to make a nice donation to the Ilima School.

<u>Success</u> This group works on closing the achievement gap. The last event was at the Naperville Alive Center. Other group events are planned.

<u>Mill St Cares</u> They will be doing backpacks filled with food again to help students in need for Spring Break. Kelly O'Malley's daughter is collecting the food donations and organizing.

<u>Helping Hands, Carrie Hess</u> This Police Dept. program has been discontinued. There will be a box in the office for returning "Helping Hands" signs and they will be collecting all the signs in school. Please take all the signs down if you have one or let neighbors know the program has been discontinued. This decision was made to keep all kids safe.

<u>School Supplies – Meredith Day</u>, Tonya Schmidt, Janet Williamson Next year's School Supply order forms are due back April 26. Online orders will continue until June 15. The forms will go home to parents after Spring Break – early April.

Hospitality – Lauren Ferguson, Sara Carlson, Heather Wolf All went well at the recent conferences!

School Events

<u>Mustang Stampede – Sara Haumesser and Amy Rossi</u> They are organizing the event almost the same as last year but hoping to add a rest station with popsicles!! They will also have new bounce houses. They plan to encourage all the kids to wear their new Mill St Mustang T Shirts for this event!!

Student Enrichment

<u>Mini Courses – Rebecca Palfanier, Sarah Dunne</u> Event will be April 28. The forms are currently being printed and plan to deliver by next Monday. Hoping to collect the forms by Spring Break. Some new classes have been added this year. Fun catalog to pick from! We will need volunteers and plan to use sign up genius for this.

<u> Science Club – Beth Bava, Sarah Hoag, Linda Cook</u>

Our next meeting is tomorrow March 15. They will be doing a bottle flip experiment and video-taping with I pads. Still need 2 volunteers for tomorrow. April will be our last meeting for the year.

Fundraising

<u>Mill Street Night Out – Jen Weber</u> This Wed is Chipolte!! Always a big success! Please come from 4:30-7:30, 50% of proceeds will go to our H&S!! Mod Pizza will be in April and Frost will be May!

<u>Plant Sale – Sarah Hoag, Laura Thorne</u> The Spring Plant Sale forms will be coming home soon.

DLI Presentation – Mrs. Lehmann and Ms. Hynes

Next year 2017/18, district wide, each child in grades 2-5 will have a chrome book device and grades K-1 will have 2 to 1 I Pads. Very exciting time. It's a new style of teaching and learning. Kids are so proud of all they can do on the devices! Mrs. Hines showed a presentation on the benefits of using devices in the classroom. Benefits: Better parent communication with report cards, Kids can use videos to record themselves when they have ideas, overall it builds more independence!! The Chrome Books for grades 2-5 really prepares the kids for the grades ahead. The district is planning a Fall meeting to help parents understand using the computers better. There is more information about the new computers on the 203 web site under the DLI page.

New 2017/18 Mill St Principal Sue Salness – Future Principal Sue Salness gave a nice introduction and explained that she has lived in Naperville all her life and attended the Dist. 203 schools! Mrs. Rippel has been helpful in getting her transitioned. She reviewed her standards when leading a school: Learning, Listening, Safety and Laughter! Also, Mrs. Salness has recently spent some of H&S funds on new Mill St playground applications that will help with organized games and follow the district's Social and Emotional Learning. These will be set before school starts in Aug. She looks forward to working with everyone soon!

Announcement, Christy Coyle There will be a new Buddy Bench installed near the playground. This is a donation from Girl Scouts. This is meant to encourage kids to come to the bench if someone is sitting there and ask them to play.

Adjourn 2:28PM

Submitted: Daneen Van Hyning

For any questions related to Home & School you may contact Kelly O'Malley and Tonya Schmidt at millstreeths@gmail.com