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GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

February 15th at 9:00 AM

- I. Secretary's Report - Becca McIlwee (absent due to child illness)
 - A. [Review Minutes from Home & School Meeting on 11/9/2022](#)

Motion: Erin Second: Huma approved

New Facebook page....don't follow the page that has the most followers, please follow the page with 80-something followers as that is the one we have access to.

Insta - still working on it as we lost access there.
- II. Treasurer's Report - Becky Wolski
 - A. January Budget Activities very good generosity, thank you!

The bank account balances, all reconciled. The little numbers sheet shows the current state. The long term \$11,380 will go toward the outdoor classroom. Exec Board moved a big chunk (\$40,000) to a non-profit money market account, 6 withdrawals for free/month. We should be able to make some 4% interest in having that saved there. There is the treasury details notes with all the specifics broken out by committee.
 - B. Electronic Receipts

New for 2024, we can turn in receipts via pics or emails.
Doesn't have to be a physical receipt.

III. Vice President's Report - Meredith Pollack

- A. Friendship Celebration Recap Every class did an awesome job with the senior citizen cards. The cards went to Storypoint. Classroom volunteer spots were a little down this year. Some celebrations had open spots still. Aneta, curious about the service projects. These were done pre-Covid. Took a longer time to complete their service project, Aneta, it felt rushed. Gina, help kids be community contributors. Aneta, doesn't remember there being service projects before. Seemed like there was not enough time for them to complete and did that take away from the time to do the party. Huma, the blanket ties were a little tough for the younger grades. Huma, her older daughter really enjoyed making the cards.

IV. President's Report - Jacki Chadez

- A. Movie Night - "Tale of Despereaux" wrapped up last night (2/14) and tonight is movie night at 5:45 p.m. Rated G. The movie is truly a G movie.
- B. Next Year Board and Chair Openings Vice President position is open. VP should come from a committee chair, but we will make an exception for a person who has volunteered a lot. We are still tracking down info about who is returning. Really, really need a co-chair for Yearbook. Please let us know if you would like to be a chair for 2024-25.
- C. Another EVEREVE Wed 3/13 all purchases earn 15% back. 5-8 p.m. will have snacks and RW folks there.
- D. Carnival Dawn - getting all set for Carnival, just 1 week away. Bach to Rock is guest DJ. Ali is wrapping up auction baskets. Ticket sales are increasing. Set up will be Friday night before. Still in need of a lot of volunteers. We can issue service hours certificates for all helpers.
- E. Fifth Grade Yard Signs last year was well received. This will become a committee and chair position. \$10/sign H&S will facilitate the order, purchase, and placement.

V. Principal's Report - Gina Baumgartner

A. OSOB Feedback

- a. Family Survey 50%/50% half have continued reading, half have stopped. There were concerns about the content, in particular the character who was sold by their father. Spoke in person with families who were struggling with reading the book as a family. If we continue with OSOB, to do a student survey again for contrast. Aneta: Can parents get the title ahead of time?
- b. Student Survey Ms. Matteson followed up with a survey of students 366 students responded. 216 are reading it. 150 not reading it together.
- c. SFCP group of teachers and parents. Everyone is invited, please consider attending in Spring as we pick the book for next year. Could it be two titles, one for older readers or one for younger readers. Ideas are welcome. Good Reads App, visit that app for reviews.

B. Open House Feedback did a survey. Got about 10 back. People were happy with it. Two concerns: older students coming back monopolized the time with their former teachers. Also the 1 hour timeframe was tight, especially for multiple kids in the school. Look to expand.

C. Winter MAP Results what is our % meeting goals and targets. RW: 60% meeting reading, 66% meeting math. Results can be filtered for grade level and indiv teacher in order to see how to best support students.

D. IAR in March is different, starting in March (used to be April), this allows for assessment before Spring Break. March 4th practice. March 12th kickoff for grades 3, 4, 5.

- E. Author, DJ Corchin - February 12 **was very special. Great event.**
- F. Game Day -> Game Night
- G. e-Learning Day ~ March 19 **thank you for the feedback that was provided.**
 - a. e-Learning Day Feedback Summary
 - b. Shared with District and School Board

Teacher Liaison ~ Ms. Matteson **thank you for the treats. Getting busy collecting books for the teacher raffle.**

Committee Updates

- A. Carnival **Dawn spoke during Jacki's section**
- B. Adult Social **Erin, met last Fri at McWethy's on Route 53. Launch ticket sales after Carnival. Looking for volunteers. Early bird pricing \$45/ticket. Option to add a drink ticket. Volunteers can contact Meghan or Erin. Alisha: Can we publicize at Kinder Preview? Game Night too.**
- C. Yearbook **still need a co-chair. Order forms should be coming soon. Fifth grade yearbook cover contest.**

**Could Teacher Appreciation and Hospitality combine?
Can we also break down into grade levels?**

Next meeting on April 11 we will have Lou (District School Safety) will be here. We will also have some items to vote on.

Motion to adjourn: Huma, Second: Dawn (via Zoom)

