

HOME & SCHOOL

River Woods Elementary School

Home and School Minutes

April 11th, 2019

7:00pm

Attendees: Gina Baumgartner, Neva Grey, Garrett Schade, Sarah Madrid, Mary Giuliani, Carrie Mask, Kathy Rusnak, Antara Prasad, Claire Evans, Allison Stoor, Corrine Sayers, Amy Schade

1) Call to Order

2) Candidate Introduction and invitation to participate in approval ballot process (Neva Grey)

- Neva Grey passed the ballots and Gina Baumgartner tallied ballots

3) Members Present (sign in sheet)

4) Secretary's Report (Sarah Madrid)

a) Approve General H&S Meeting Minutes from February 2019

Amy Schade: motion to approve, Claire Evans: second

b) Teacher Appreciation Week updates

- Sarah Madrid and Denise Downey are collaborating with Gina Baumgartner to plan a celebratory week for our teachers

5) Treasurer's Report (Garrett Schade)

- Over \$16,000 profit for carnival
- Plan to put \$40,000 toward playground.
- Likely have \$5000 extra, which could go toward wishlist items such as picnic tables or other playground extras.

6) Vice President's Report (Neva Grey)

a) H&S Inventory

- Allison Stoor and Neva Grey organized RW School loft. A photo and inventory list has been created for committee use.
Suggestion made to keep ongoing list of themes used for different events including Carnival, Teacher Appreciation, etc.

- b) Teacher's Running Bag Raffle
 - Any teacher that signs up for Team NEF will be entered into a raffle to win a bag full of running goodies
- c) Step It Up Kids Fundraiser
 - Neva Grey met with the owner/organizer of a unique fundraising opportunity for our school. Event would be similar to an American Ninja Warrior style course for kids. Meeting attendees seemed interested in further pursuing this possibility for our school.

7) President's Report (Ann Poulouse, not present) Gina Baumgartner shared results on her behalf

- a) Election of 2019-2020 Exec Board: Vote Passed
President: Neva Grey, Vice President: Amy Schade, Treasurer: Claire Evans, Secretary: Sarah Madrid

8) Principal's Report (Gina Baumgartner)

- a) Playground Design Update
 - i) Input from H & S, Students, Staff: Gina Baumgartner shared progress and the showed the "nearly" final drawing of the new playground
 - ii) Committee of Parents & Staff gave feedback
 - iii) Priorities:
 - (1) Inclusive Play
 - (2) Physical Activity & Fitness
 - (3) Socialization
- b) Field Day: May 24 with Rain Delay May 29
- c) Assessments:
 - IAR~ Illinois Assessment of Readiness: River Woods just completed testing
- d) Performance Series ~ Replacement will be: NWEA MAP. This test allows for more opportunities to use testing data
- e) Summer Improvements: new Playground, Blacktop to be resurfaced, Gym Floor will be replaced with tile, new Lunchroom Tables/Benches
- f) Team NEF: Amy Schade presented information earlier in meeting
- g) May 15th from 3 to 4pm: Retirement gathering after school for Mrs. Rosso and Mrs. Ullestad
- h) Science Learning Practices: Kathy Rusnak, LSC; Carrie Mask, 4th Grade
 - i) Shared information about new Science standards: NGSS
 - ii) Hands on experiment for all H&S Meeting attendees

9) Teacher Liaison (Mary Giuliani)

- a) Volunteer Luncheon: Date is May 2nd. Hot dog/baseball theme Invitations will be sent next week.

- b) A BOGO Book Fair will be held after school on Thursday, May 9th from 2:30pm to 5pm

10) Committee Chair Reports

- a) Box Tops & Team NEF (Amy Schade)
 - i) Amy Schade explained the rewards and benefits of participating with Team NEF for the October 20th Naperville Half Marathon and 5K run
 - ii) Box Tops will move to a digital format and there will be no more cutting of Box Tops
- b) Carnival (Corrine Sayers)
 - i) Highlights include: ticket presales very successful, 50/50 raffle earned more, waves of auction successful, doubled amount of incoming donations.
 - ii) Carnival chairs to consider discontinuing some activities like Bingo and face painting which are not as profitable.

10) Adjourn to May 9th, 2019 at 9:00am