

HOME & SCHOOL

Mill Street Elementary School

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Parent Association and Board Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, November 13, 2018

Meeting started at 9:05 a.m. Participants: Kate Connolly, Cindy Smucker, Tonya Schmidt, Rachel Weidman, Janet Yang Rohr, Melissa Scacco, Lauren Ferguson, Maureen Matuszewski, Melissa Zbiegiel, Erin Bennouna, Mariya Ivanova, Kelly O'Malley, Lori Torcasio, Carly Nguyen, Amy Swiatek, Dani Bourgeois, Sarah Alaimo, Daneen Van Hyning, Carrie Hess, Sue Salness

Principal's Report- Mrs. Salness

Mill Street was awarded Exemplary Status by the 2018 Illinois State Report Card. This achievement is a testament to staff and best practice delivered. Data is based on ELA/Math PARCC scores. Next year the assessment will include the Illinois 5 Essentials Survey, which will include participation by 4th and 5th grade students. A form was sent home if you would like your student to opt out of taking the survey.

Veterans Day Assembly was a wonderful celebration and reception.

Title 1 Program has begun after school focusing on literacy with reading specialists and coaches planning curriculum. Students will focus on re-telling stories using technology for both fiction and non-fiction texts. They will also create a video summary with a QR code for books in the LC that can be accessed by all students.

One Book One School planning is underway. The event begins February 7th and will run until March 15th and will include at school reading, prompts and other methods to engage the students in addition to reading at home.

A sensory path and circuit training equipment are being used by students for physical brain breaks as needed. The circuit equipment is also being used by Mr. Quaid one week per month for all students during P.E. iPads are being used with the equipment for select students to read while exercising.

The school has purchased VR Google Goggles and are currently being used by 4th and 5th grade students with Mrs. Golz. Students have safety rules to follow and are directed to remove the goggles if feeling ill effects. Will expand to other students in the future. They have been a big hit with the students.

Third grade honors math has begun for the year. Mrs. Comer will be hosting an orientation for parents soon.

Summer maintenance in the building will replace old pipes. Summer programs will be impacted as water will be turned off.

Outdoor classroom space is in the early phases of planning. Three staff members are creating a proposal for multiple outdoor spaces. The steps of the process consist of: get a buy-in, assemble teams, assess the site, parent volunteers, and seek funding. Benefits students in a variety of ways such as: providing balance beyond the building, academic and SEL growth, physical and cognitive benefits, time outdoors refreshes the brain and overall is enjoyable to the students. An outdoor learning space also supports Next Generation Science Standards. Open to the community, basis is grounded in research and aligns with the D203 mission. Hope to implement phase 1 in the fall of 2019.

Thank you for the very generous response to the family in need of baby donations.

District 203 Board of Education Representative- Janet Yang Rohr

The school board meets monthly, please feel free to attend the meetings or watch the feed on YouTube. The schedule is listed using the link below.

<https://www.naperville203.org/domain/732>

District 203 has the highest percentage of Illinois schools with Exemplary status. Achievement is linked to early childhood investments.

District has upgraded many Learning Commons areas and also improved school entrances and security to address student safety.

Focus 203 Every Students Achieves-Every Student Grows taking place this week. Please attend if you are able.

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Secretary's Report- Kate Connolly

Approve minutes from September 11, 2018 meeting. L.T. made the motion to approve. D.V. made the 2nd motion. The minutes are approved.

Mustang Minute submissions for the November 26th issue are due by Friday, November 16th at noon.

Treasurer's Report- Amy Swiatek

The account balance as of November 13, 2018 was reported as \$29,354.14.

Approve the October 2018 General Ledger and Profit and Loss Report. L.T. made the motion to approve. M.S. made the 2nd motion. The October 2018 General Ledger and Profit and Loss Report are approved.

Vice President's Report- Carly Nguyen

Thank you for volunteering and for all of your donations for winter clothing, the baby collection and hospitality items.

We still need a few volunteers for International Night and a few items for the Winter Clothing Drive.

The Holiday Party is December 21 at 10:00 a.m. The Sign-Up Genius will be coming out soon.

President's Report- Dani Bourgeois and Sarah Alaimo

Focus 203: Systems of Support on November 14th at 7:00 p.m. at NCHS and November 15th at 9:00 a.m. at Compass Church.

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The Self-Driven Child Author visit sponsored by D203 and Anderson's Book Shop on November 15th at 7:00 p.m.

Holiday Giving Program begins November 16th, watch for a Talk 203 for details.

The March 12, 2019 H&S General Meeting will be changed to 1:30 p.m. in the MPR to allow parents to also attend the Jefferson H&S meeting.

Save the Date: NEF's Annual Building a Passion Breakfast will be on March 20, 2019 at 7:00 a.m.

Team NEF raised \$82,000 at the Healthy Driven Marathon/5K.

SFCP- Lori Torcasio, Sara Haumesser, and Audrey Brodrick

Candy Cane Caring purchases will take place on December 12, 13, 14 in the lunch room. Cost is 25 cents for one or five dollars for a class packet. They will be sent home on December 21. We will need parent volunteers to help sell them.

The deadline for the Winter Clothing Drive is November 20th.

Thank you for the baby items donated, the sign-up was full after only one hour.

Mill St. Cares Packages will be fulfilled by The Church of the Latter-day Saints for Thanksgiving break. St. Timothy's will be supporting the Winter Break collection. Thank you to these churches for their support.

Committee Reports

Student Services

School Supply Kits- Melissa Scacco, Janet Williamson and Amy Wagner

We sold 363 kits this year and earned \$365 in rewards with a profit of \$2,785.

Classroom Parties- Jeff Kocourek-

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Publications

Pony Express- Cindy Smucker

The deadline for the December issue is November 15th and the deadline for the January issue is December 10th.

School Events

Appreciation- Daneen Van Hying and Maureen Matuszewski

National Education Week is this week, we will be providing coffee cake on Wednesday. We will also be celebrating Teacher Aides and Assistants with a coffee gift card and a DeEtta's cookie.

Crosstown Classic- Lauren Ferguson, Janet Williamson, Jen Hoeft, Shelley Murphy, and Ashley Chubirka

We raised \$1,765 for The Ronald McDonald Family Room at Edwards Hospital. This equates to 22 nights provided to families in need of the space.

International Fair- KaraLee Anderson and Rachel Weidman

Everything is set, a few more volunteers would be helpful. We have 15 exhibitions and 6 performances planned. We are grateful that a number of volunteers are National Honor Society members from NNHS.

Media Coordinator- Tonya Schmidt

The 5th Grade Musical order form was distributed to students and is also available on the school website. Orders due by November 14th.

Student Enrichment

Science Club- Carrie Hess, Kelli Nothacker, and Jackie Herrera

Thank you to our volunteers, we have surpassed previous attendance numbers and had 155 students at the last club meeting. Please remember to fill out the Google Doc. Also, consider moving to a morning session as the number of students is so large and dismissal is difficult.

There is NO Science Club in December.

Fundraising

MSNO- Amy Swiatek

Q BBQ raised \$171 and California Pizza Kitchen raised \$626. Our next event is Lou Malnati's on November 28th.

Box Tops for Education- Monika Bicker

Fall Box Top Collection raised \$578.80.

Adjourn 10:05 a.m.

Submitted: Kate Connolly