

HOME & SCHOOL

Mill Street Elementary School

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Parent Association and Board Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, March 12, 2019

Meeting started at 1:35 p.m. Participants: Kate Connolly, Lori Torcasio, Melissa Scacco, Maureen Matuszewski, Sarah Alaimo, Tonya Schmidt, Carly Nguyen, Cindy Smucker, Kelly O'Malley, Kristie Coyle, Amy Swiatek, Dani Bourgeois, Erin Bennouna and Mrs. Salness.

Principal's Report- Mrs. Salness

Celebrations

Hosted Nashville visitors to observe use of Digital Learning in the classroom and Learning Center. Those Who Excel Awards took place recently and a number of Mill St. staff and teachers were recognized. Open House went smoothly and was a success. Hispanic Parent Education Event included food and a guest speaker who addressed empowerment. Our Institute/Professional Learning day focused on Literacy Instruction. Kindergarten Preview included 67 families in attendance, went well. The school office will be remodeled over spring break and look for new lobby furniture coming this this summer.

School News

Mrs. Ottolino and Mrs. Ganesan to return soon. We will be having a reception in the MPR to celebrate Deb Shea's retirement at the end of the school year. Mike V., our head custodian, is relocating to South Carolina. We are beginning to look at section shifts and class sizes for 2019-20 based on our enrollment, but will remain at 32 sections.

Testing Updates

Gifted testing for select 3-5 graders is underway. Our final Performance Series testing will take place in May. Replacing PARCC with MAP tests for K-5 next year.

Outdoor Classroom

Met with architect Rob Wroble from Legat Architects and parent Lacey Schnell. Reviewed purpose, goals, benefits of the outdoor classroom and wish list items. Will meet again in April, hoping for a soft open in fall with garden beds. Mr. Wroble will make a mock up design of the space. Planning will continue as we determine timeline, budget and partnerships such as Mayneland Farm. Also, begin educating community and staff on use of space. Begin coordinating fundraising and volunteers with sub-committees. Hoping to officially open in Spring of 2020.

Secretary's Report- Kate Connolly

Approve 2019-20 H&S Executive Slate. K.O. made the motion to approve. L.T. made the 2nd motion. The 2019-20 H&S Executive Slate is approved.

Approve minutes from January 15, 2019 meeting. M.M. made the motion to approve. J.K. made the 2nd motion. The minutes are approved.

Please allow 2-3 weeks for translation when submitting flyers.

Treasurer's Report- Amy Swiatek

The account balance as of March 12, 2019 was reported as \$34, 737.94.

Approve the February 2019 General Ledger and Profit and Loss Report. M.S. made the motion to approve. M.M. made the 2nd motion. The February 2019 General Ledger and Profit and Loss Report are approved.

Please provide input for next year's budget via email.

Vice President's Report- Carly Nguyen

Mini Courses will take place on May 3rd between 9:00 a.m. and 10:15 a.m. We will need 1-2 parents per class.

Open Committee Chair positions can be found in the Mustang Minute and Pony Express.

President's Report- Dani Bourgeois and Sarah Alaimo

Save the Date - NEF's Annual Building a Passion Breakfast March 20, 2019 7:00 a.m. Mill Street's First Lego League will be featured.

Focus 203: 7:00 p.m. on March 13th at NCHS Cafeteria and 9:00 a.m. on March 14th at Grace United Methodist Church.

SFCP

One Book One School is complete and was a success. Thank you to teachers, staff and H&S for their support. Thank you to those who donated to Willowbrook Wildlife facility. Look for a survey asking for feedback.

Mill St. Cares- Thank you to Cindy Smucker and Compass Church (Hobson location) for providing spring break food packages and gift cards.

Committee Reports

Fundraising

MSNO

MSNO has raised over \$1,300 this year so far. The next event is March 25th at Pottery Bayou between 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. We will also have an event at Chipotle on April 2nd between 4:00-8:00 p.m.

Book Fair

We have sold over \$9,000 of Scholastic merchandise this school year, earning us a cash profit of \$2,200 in addition to bonus money to purchase books for the classrooms.

Also, look for a Buy One Get One book sale at the end of the school year to kick-off summer reading.

Adult Social

Thank you to all who attended or bought auction items. Almost all of the Outdoor Learning Space items were sold. We do not yet know the total profit.

JJHS H&S

5th Grade Parents, if you are interested in any of the open H&S positions for next year, please contact **Daneen Van Hying** at dvanhyning731@yahoo.com

Adjourn 2:07 p.m.

Submitted: Kate Connolly