**Parent Group Meeting Minutes**

**12.11.2018 6:00 pm IMC**

Call to order Sarah AF 6:07

1. Roll Call: *In Attendance:* Ms. Courtney, Sarah Aiken-Felling, Abby Reilly, Jane Christianson, Mindy Braun, Erica Zerr, Rebekah Ulwelling, Brittany Hattrem, Melissa Sterling, Amy Daw

*Not present:* Todd Johnson, Sarah Szymanski

*Guests Present:* Tonya Bridges, Lynn Buske

1. Approval of October Minutes: Motion to approve Sarah A-F, Second: Erica Z. All approved.
2. Principal’s Report:
   1. GB wrote 2 grants this week: 1 for teacher training and the other for Consultant/Professional Montessori Charter Review
   2. More security to classroom doors coming soon
   3. School logo being updated by the district
   4. New google calendar for the school: <https://calendar.google.com/calendar?cid=ZWNhc2QuazEyLndpLnVzX291cDJwNjVycGd0ZGI0b3E1c3JkMXBvMGVvQGdyb3VwLmNhbGVuZGFyLmdvb2dsZS5jb20>
3. Partnership Coordinator Report-Jane:
   1. Book Fair: sold $3,833.13, received $856 in cash and $200 in Scholastic Dollars
   2. Discussed FB approval process for PG page. PG added more questions to decide approval and will further discuss who should be able to be added to the site.
4. Teacher/ Support Staff Report; Amy and Courtney
   1. Save the Dates:

12.11: 3rd graders to fabric store for blanket supplies

12.12: 2nd group of 3rd graders to fabric store

12.12: Odyssey of the Mind starts

12.18: Hearing Rechecks

12.24-1.1: NO SCHOOL-Winter Break

1. FAC Report
   1. Draft version of 2019-2020 calendar-combine teacher development days
   2. Discussed report for each school: No big conclusions. School District score is down from last year
2. Treasurer Report-Melissa
   1. Teacher Education funds discussed: will obtain Todd’s discretion for approval
   2. Account Balances:

Checking Account: $10,000

Outdoor Environment: $4,500

1. Committee Reports
   1. Fundraising: Abby
      1. Mallternative: raised approx. $1780 this year. Discussed how to improve and simplify the event for next year: eliminate main dish with grab and go’s offered
      2. Fundraising Committee: Trialed Zoom for last meeting and this went well.
      3. Future Events:

Winter Fest: Feb 8

Read-A –Thon: Feb 11 start date, Vote at Jan meeting for designation of funds

Read In: March 12

Chicken Q: May 16, tickets home April 15

Future Ideas: Bingo night

* 1. Family Events: Brittany
     1. Family Night Out: Meeting with Beaver Creek Dec 12 to discuss snowshoeing event
  2. Volunteer Coordinator: Bekah
     1. Students as Teacher’s Table: not a lot of interest or new people
     2. Winterfest potential gaps: spots for pizza serving, schedule TBD
     3. Committee Sign ups: Each committee will have sign ups available

1. Chair Report: Sarah
   1. 3 Year Bylaw Review: This is a longer process than anticipated
   2. Continue review and brainstorm of job descriptions, ie Secretary, Volunteer Coordinator
2. New Business
   1. Volunteer hours awards, etc: ideas discussed
   2. Process for approving Continuing Education funds
   3. Planning for Winter Fest and Read-A-Thon/Read
      1. Replace water fountains with bottle refillers ($1000 each). 3 were replaced with the remodel.
      2. Discussed idea of having money raised go toward a “Special Requests Fund”
   4. Hands of Peace-Lynn Buske
      1. Lynn Buske from Bared Feet, Inc would like to offer this event again for the third time. In 2015 it was district sponsored and in 2017 it became a Montessori project and needs additional funds to happen. The goal is for a Spring production that is free for all participants. Lynn has also applied for a Eau Claire Community Foundation Grant.
      2. Parent Group will vote on this issue after further review of materials presented from Lynn. Plan is to vote at January meeting.
3. Next Meeting: January 8-6:00 pm –IMC

Adjorned :Sarah A-F at 7:42 pm.