

CL PTA meeting

December 8, 2015

Start time 6:35

Board Attendance: Tyler Graff, Patty Harmon, Carlene Lim, Desry Guenther, Joe Murray, Lisa Scanlon, Linnea Hur, Laina Payne, Stephanie Flanagan

Shared Schoolyard (Margaux Kelly - legislative aid to Mark Farrell)

- Private funds raised to run program (provides opening/closing of yard, cleaning, additional police supervising)
- Last Saturday was opening/celebration - turned out well!
- Open up school yard on Sat/Sun for community
- PTA received \$1000 to participate
- School receives \$2500 to activate the yard with the funds
- Ms. Hadley brought up concern about long jump pit being used as sand box over weekend, shared school yard wants to work with us to prevent this from happening -> first step may be to provide signage?

Annual Fund (Teresa Goebel)

- Raised \$220K (of which 40K matched)
- 72% school wide (87% Madison, 64% Scott)
- 6 pizza parties!
- Next steps:
 - o solicit feedback
 - o distribution of car magnets for 250 families (over 400 donations)
 - o tax deduction letter coming
 - o plan for next year!

Starlight Auction Update (Jill Standlee)

- Gearing up for January kickoff which will include: Official invitation, ticket sales, auction donations
- Primary communications vehicles will be SA page and emails via SP
- Ticket prices expected to remain "flat" from last year
- Detailed info on Auction, Volunteering, donations, CMI's, etc.
- Silent Auction and Teacher Treasure Leads still needed

Miscellaneous and School Updates

- Motion to approve monthly bills
 - o All approved
- Budget planning will start earlier this year (Feb/March)

- Bylaws update – Marla’s updating (modifying fiscal year date)
- 1st half audit volunteer needed
- 7th Grade Outdoor Ed Yosemite trip is in February

Book Fair Recap

- Angela Sheredy: CL earns 50% of sales. Total earned: \$2745.96!
- Money in our account will be spent on Scholastic News Magazines for teachers to use in the classroom
- Looking for coordinators at both Scott and Madison campus
- 1700 books purchased during the fair

Parent Ed Topic: Meaningful Work (Tyler Graff)

- What student work matters? To whom? How do we know?
- Ron Berger’s Beautiful Work
- Austin’s Butterfly (<https://vimeo.com/38247060>)
 - o journey of creating a butterfly picture
 - o collaboration, received critique/feedback (specific)
 - o listen to feedback
 - o keep trying (multiple drafts)
- How might these ideas inform what we currently do here at CL?
 - o what is good enough?
 - o how to get kids over hurdle of revising/editing work?
 - o criteria for success
- Reggio Emilia (Italian): hands on learning, project based learning, Montessori, collaboration, quality work, time intensive, feedback

End time 7:35