

Executive Meeting

Principal Report-Nancy Zitzmann

- Fall Festival was really fun! Shed needs to be cleaned out, it's hard to clean put stuff away after dark so it is cramped and disorganized. Could also be inventoried so we know what is in there.
- Three BEST requests
 - Sarah Wichard needs Xylophone stands (\$500)-APPROVED
 - Ruth Lewis wants to take he class to see A Christmas Carol at the Rep theatre to go along with her Classical Literature (\$220)-APPROVED
 - Anne Link wants 5th grade class to go to the Metro Production of The Miraculous Journey of Edward Toulane at the Missouri History Museum (\$712)-APPROVED
- Science and Math Fun Night is coming up Tuesday, 10/11
- Still waiting on slide part to come in
- Crack on blacktop was patched by paving company-still needs to be finished, corner section of playground was repaired too
- The air conditioner and dishwasher are broken in the school.
- Will have Veterans Day celebration again this year. Also planning another family literacy night for this year
- Foundation will give PTO grants again this year. We need to brainstorm about what we could ask for in the grant. Possibly books for family literacy night.
- PTO meeting Thursday night, Julie Paur ELA specialist will speak

Teacher Report-Clint Woodfin

- Thank you to PTO for \$100 gift for all the teachers. Staff is excited to purchase resources they still need
- Kids love the new playground surface and are really enjoying it
- Teachers went to Google Summit past Saturday to learn about how to use Google apps in classrooms. 1:1 Chrome books are really great in the classroom for 3, 4, 5th grades

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- Benchmark testing was last week. It is computer based this year so is different. K, 1, 2 need headphones to take the benchmark testing. It will be suggested that all parents purchase headphones for their kids.
- Email went out for sign up for Parent teacher conferences

Presidents' Report-Becky Hauser, Deborah Nobis

- Direct Donation Campaign is at \$15,927, 43% participation, idea for next year to start with smaller amount on form (maybe \$5) to encourage more people to participate, earlier push for grandparents, other family members to donate also. Will publish on FB to thank everyone for helping us reach goal. Can also publish in Bulldog Bulletin next week. Will also encourage people to do corporate matching program if their company participates
- Schoola drive won't happen this year. They are looking for higher priced items. Could possible still do clothes donation for a charitable drive.
- We have big goals listed for this year.
 - Denice Cusumano researching STEM and STEAM opportunities.
 - Deborah Nobis is researching the wellness portion of our goals.
 - Computer Lab upgrade-Bill Kay looking into what it would cost to replace computers, Nancy Zitzmann will follow up on this. Also looking into more chrome books for K, 1, 2. Some iPads need repair, Teachers want to replace iPads with Chromebooks in the future.
 - Art room renovation-will ask to Mrs. Capron research this and let us know what she needs and wants for her room (sink, organization, kiln?)
 - Responsive spaces-need to look into locations in school, timelines, how many do we need, budget, donations from home-maybe need to slow down on this and let teachers do more research and wait until they know what they want

1st Vice Presidents' Report-Jody Forsee, Naomi Neal

- Science and Math night is coming together nicely. Email was sent to general volunteers and room parents asking for extra help. A lot of fun/interesting tables being planned as well as games, telescopes, robotics, paper airplanes, chickens, etc.
- Dining to donate-something being planned for this month. Goal to have one a month to help replace lost Schoola money

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- Fall Festival made about \$4000, receipts still coming in for reimbursements
- Spirit wear-same company being used as last year. Will have samples at conferences
- Room parent heads inquire about changing winter party time to afternoon instead of morning. They think it may prohibit working parents from coming and it is no longer breakfast centered anymore so we may consider changing it in the future. Can add to survey in the future. Will keep at same time for now.
- Auction needs new people to step up and help. New venue this year with a lot of last year's chairs not coming back. It's a well oiled machine that needs new help. Stephanie will send email to new families and kindergarten families seeing if there is anyone who wants to help run.

2nd Vice Presidents' Report-Katie Franke, Holly Kunze

- Run for Webster is coming up on 10/15. Fredbird will be there! Fliers came home to the kids today. Register online or the day of the event
- BOE meeting last Monday night.
 - Tax Rate. The Board of Education approved an operating levy for residential property at \$5.0886, which reflects a half cent adjustment from the numbers presented at a tax hearing earlier in the month as well as a voluntary one-cent rollback in conjunction with changes in the full-day kindergarten program that eliminated the need for public funding of kindergarten scholarships. Last year's rate was \$5.0937.
 - Equity in Education. Board member Arnold Stricker attended the Equity in Education Committee meeting this month. He suggested the board consider how the district can continue to move forward in addressing achievement gaps among students.
 - WGSD Foundation. The Foundation is sponsoring the Run for Webster Oct. 15. To register or volunteer, please visit wgsdfoundation.org . It will also hold a Party at the Pageant Jan. 14.
 - Adventure Club staffing. Assistant Superintendent Sandy Wiley told the board that the district is seeking additional Adventure Club staff members for before and after school. Currently Adventure Club has a waiting list districtwide of about 100 children. She said that she and Marty Baker, director of the Walter Ambrose Family Center, have been working on the situation since this summer. Difficulties include

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the salary, which is below what's offered elsewhere, as well as the hours. She said that other school districts are also having problems hiring for their before- and after-school problems. She outlined the steps taken so far to increase staffing and said that she expected to bring a revised salary structure to the board soon.

- Communications. Superintendent John Simpson and Chief Communications Officer Cathy Vespereny presented an update on district communications including a prototype for a new district home page, social media news and consideration of opening the district's Facebook page to comments. The board consensus was to move forward on allowing comments on the page.

Treasurer/Audit Report-Denice Cusumano, Sarah Calame

- BEST funds from last year shows \$3000 wasn't spent. They probably weren't all issued
- Welcoming committee shows \$500 expenses, they still need to turn in receipts
- Recognition fund wasn't used last year, need to clarify what this is for
- Approximately \$34,000 is our current balance
- Taxes should be signed sometime this week.
- Childcare for general meetings was a struggle last month to find someone. We have one person scheduled for this month. Its harder to find childcare so we need to monitor this.

Welcome committee-Stephanie Simpson

- 8 families were missed for welcome bags. They received their bags. There are also some new kids coming in November.