

11.3.2021

Meeting started at 7:04pm

In attendance: Holly Burch, Katie Gillmeister, Jocelyn Bauman, Amanda Godbout, Victoria Bagu, Tiffany Bubriski, Beth Foley, Kim St Ours, Shayna Eddy, Stella Dikas, Kate Blinn, Liz Spinney, Lisa Hall.

Katie updated us that we will be able to hold our meetings at the library and use their audiovisual tools in the future.

- Book Fair for NGES will be December 1st to December 10th, at NSS will be December 2nd to the 14th.

Amanda will create a sign up genius for volunteers at NGES. The theme will be "Book bring us together".

- Round up on Fun Run. We closed up at around \$78,704.

- Review of the October minutes. Motion to approve by Beth Foley, second by Liz Spinney. Unanimously approved.

- Review of the treasurer's report. Lisa updated us on the items on the report. The payments from the Fun Run are trickling in.

Motion to approve by Shayna Eddy, second by Liz Spinney. Unanimously approved.

- Many Thanksgiving will be on November 22nd and we will need volunteers to help prep before the event.

New Agenda:

Nurses Budget: We would like to increase the budget by \$50 per school in order to purchase extra clothing to have on hand. The schools would be also willing to accept donations.

Motion to approve Liz Spinney, second by Katie Gillmeister. Unanimously approved.

PreK Enrichment program: The current budget is \$1,600 a year. There are about \$600 still available for further enrichment activities.

Discussion on preK budget as it pertains to the equality among grades. We are currently spending about \$400 per grade. The program prices have increased in the last few years and we may need to revisit the enrichment budget in the future for a more realistic number.

Katie puts forth a motion to extend preK enrichment by \$500. Second by Shayna. Majority approved.

The Board proposed an increase of \$500 for 6th grade for enrichment. Motion to approve by Katie Gillmeister, second by Victoria Bagu. Unanimously approved.

Mini Grants:

- About 50 teachers in North Grafton that would like microphones for the classroom. There will be a mini grant coming forward for that.

Principals Update:

NSS by Stephen Wiltshire

Conferences are coming up in December followed by report cards.

Enrichment programs have already started.

Discussion on COVID clinics potentially if we were to host them and make them more lively.

Data shows that literacy hasn't shown a great decline due to the covid pandemic, but math skills have seen more of a struggle, especially in the lower grades. There have been a lot of data scouring in both schools to get some more support at home in those areas of weakness.

Book Fair

Kim St Ours raised the question of the teachers needing more books. She is suggesting \$500 per teacher. It would come to \$20,500.

Lisa Hall proposed the chatter up link in order to fundraise for individual teachers and then the PTG can supplement.

We discussed about purchasing the books that were not purchased from the teachers' wishlist in order to satisfy the classroom needs.

Amanda said she set up a form to send home for e-wallet for NGES.

We can use the PTG credit card to use for the Book Fair to purchase teacher's wishlist. It will come out of the Reading line on the budget that right now allocates \$8,800.

Fundraiser Paint Nite:

Adult only at Canvas and Cup in Westborough. The PTG can get \$10 per person. November 19th (6:30-8:30) will be the first one. It will be advertised as a community event and a parents night out.

- Raffle for the teachers right before the holidays. Collecting donations (coffee, hot chocolate, tea, granola bars, etc) for teacher's room food and drink when they come back from winter break.

- Winter event at Holden Farm. Waddles Winter Wonderland. Tentative dates are January 29th and February 6th. The farm will be offering tubing and ice skating. We will hold the event on a Saturday from 12-3. The tickets will include a non alcoholic beverage and a food item. The tickets will be \$10 for kids and \$15 adults in advance. At the door, tickets will be \$15 for kids and \$20 for adults.

- Proposed motion to approve table clothes with logo. \$267.30 for 3.

Motion to approve by Katie Gillmeister, second by Jocelyn and unanimously approved.

Meeting adjourned at 8:43pm

Motion to approve by Katie Gillmeister, second by Shayna Eddy. Unanimously approved.