

Glacier Hills Site Council/Booster Club Meeting

November 6, 2017 4:15 p.m.

In attendance: Scott Thomas, Principal Alyssa Bartosh, Assistant Principal, Ginny Bendickson, Talia Campbell, Robin Cerio, Alissa Clark, Robin Stephanie Foley, Ella He, Emma Holmblad, Cindy Johnson, Harija Khalid, Miranda Noll, Rashelle Redmon, Tony Sobaskie, Vanessa Utell, Janelle Wodele

Absent: Deena Laugen and Anita Pagey

Parent Forum: No parent forum questions.

Old Business:

Grade Level Budgets: Miranda handed out a document that described potential proposed increases in distributions based on increased Booster Club budget over the past few years. Husky Hustle has consistently made over \$25,000, and those funds are used to fund the next year's budget. The group discussed using the potential 10%, 15% and 20% increases as a goal and 3 year plan. One question raised was why specialists in different areas receive such different amounts of money (for example, art receives \$2000 while orchestra receives \$250). Mr. Thomas noted that the amount received is based on need for consumable supplies.

Ginny moved and Alissa seconded to use this document as a financial three year plan for our group, increasing the amount we currently give to groups by 10%, 15%, and 20% over the next three years. Motion carries.

Meeting Start Times: Continued discussion from last month regarding starting our meetings at 4:15 consistently each month instead of rotating between 4:15 and 6:30 p.m. Group agreed that attendance is better by teachers when we start earlier. Agreed to keep this year's December meeting at 6:30 since it has been advertised already, but move future meetings beginning in 2018 to all have a 4:15 start time. Emma moved and Vanessa seconded to move time of meetings in 2018 to 4:15. Motion carries.

New Business:

Budget for 25th Anniversary celebrations: A committee has been formed with Laura Henrickson as chair. The first meeting/vision planning for this group is November 14th at 4 p.m. Mr. Thomas discussed that this event will be celebrating 25 years of Glacier Hills, and a budget discussion will take place at our next meeting. Miranda shared that she feels if money is used from this group it should be for events/celebrations that include the students. Talia asked if district funds are available for this event. They are not.

Minutes Reminder: Minutes from the BC/SC meetings should be sent to Deena and Cindy within three days of our meeting. The minutes will then be sent out to the group within five days, and posted in the newsletter each month.

Update on Carnival Money disbursements: Vanessa gave an update on the performing arts experiences that are planned based on money given from the Carnival by BC/SC. She handed out a sheet that described cost of each experience:

- K: Kindermusik Concert with Friends of the MN Orchestra (est \$1325)
- 1: Stages Theatre Frederick performance (\$1480)
- 2: Native American Residency (TBD)
- 3: Ordway International Children's Festival/Moon Mouse performance (\$1490)
- 4: WITNESS Residency and Concert (\$1915)
- 5: Drumming Residency with Sowah Mensah (\$5000)

Updates:

Financial Update: Miranda distributed balance sheet. We currently have a balance of just over \$53,000. This total includes fiscal commitments yet to be paid out. Taxes are done, and we did get a tax bill for prepping for the 990 form - the bill was \$1000. We did get a refund from the City of Eagan for time not used for police presence at the HH. Give to the Max day will be Thursday November 16th - please share!

Volunteer Coordinators Report: The dance went great and we had a fantastic turnout! Teacher dinner for conferences was this past week, we had a great Chili Bar for teachers and were able to also give out 25 gift cards from families. The Community Culture event will be in January. The first meeting for this committee is next week on the 15th at Caribou.

Carnival: Rashelle and Miranda had their first meeting. They are working on setting up the committee, filling in chairs for committees such as food and the silent auction. They will send out a listserv with who/what/when. They also plan to reach out to K parents to hope to get some new faces on the committee and are partnering with the Eagan Art House for the grade level art performances.

Husky Hustle Update: A finance update will be provided next month.

Square One Art Update: Alissa shared that orders are due next week on Tuesday the 14th. She will send out a reminder.

Parent Leader Update: Minutes from last meeting were distributed.

Scrip Cards Update: Harija has been meeting with Jenny and discussing the program.

Principal's Report: Principal Thomas shared his report. He thanked volunteers for the staff dinner and said they enjoyed the meal and leftovers the next day. A committee met today to discuss the tree trust grant that the school received (thanks to Stephanie Foley for writing the grant). All grade levels will be involved in helping with the tree process, from creating a "green team" to choosing types of trees and planning where they will go. In April they will exhibit the trees and May 18th will be Science Night.

The district is recommending a 4 classroom addition. The rooms will be for art, science, and a kindergarten and first grade classroom. The hope is to then also give SMI additional space. Mr. Thomas shared that our enrollment includes 56% students of color. This is approx. 20 points above the district average. We have incredible diversity.

A budget spreadsheet was shared which indicated our October 1 enrollment. From this budget, \$140,000 goes to staff, 2 support staff, expenses, transportation, professional development, dues, supplies, and professional growth plan. Each grade gets supply money. We also have a preschool, and we will not be bringing the preschool to our school due to space. We pay 17,500 for transportation with the pre-k. We are on the border for being a title school. The title status is based on free and reduced lunch, and pays for support staff. Over 90% of our budget goes to paying for staff.

One last reminder was given about the school board elections taking place tomorrow.

Celebrations: None noted. Miranda offered our thoughts and concerns for Nina Kottke, former Glacier Hills student and current Dakota Hills middle school student who is in the hospital and has our best wishes for healing. Emma also on a happier note shared that Nothing Bundt Cakes will be doing a fundraiser with GH and 10% of profits from receipts put in the jar that month will go back to GH.

Meeting adjourned: The next meeting will be December 11 at 6:30 p.m.