G.A.P.S.

Grimshaw Association of Parents and Staff

Minutes Monday, December 10, 2012

Fourth meeting of the 2012 – 2013 School year.

Welcome

Meeting Commenced @ 6:30 with call to order by Erin Virnoche

Went around the room introducing all members present.

Update November Events:

Roller-skating parties: In November meeting, there was a suggestion that we move the event to an evening activity. 4-6pm is the proposed time. This time was verified with the rollerskating company as available.

A “Thank You” was passed around from Sue Bang (Grimshaw Library Specialist) showing what books were purchased at the Penguin Book sale with the funds approved.

Smart Snacks Update:

Nancy Redmore: Chair (Unavailable to attend tonight’s meeting. Update provided by Erin Oristian.)

Budget has $2,800 left for this year.

Survey passed out to all homeroom teachers. Most were returned.

90% positive responses. Concerns were waste, especially with vegetables.

Also, per request, gloves will be provided for snacks not individually packaged.

Fall Fundraiser update:

Lisa Lamson: Chair/Equal Exchange $478

Robin O’Kane: Chair/City Dining Cards $760

(Neither was able to attend. Amounts provided by Christine Foti-Cromley)

Update on Pouches:

Update provided by Carolyn Bice:

Currently we have $350.00 or 35,000 points with the pouch/Terracycle recycling program.

Redemption options include:

 Cash ($350 to go to Sandy Relief)

 Providing children in Africa with fresh water 6points=1 person/1 week

 Providing children in the US with meals 50points=1 meal

Purchasing land in Yellowstone National Park; protecting it permanently from development. 2points=36sq feet

It was decided that we will allow the Student Council to choose which option.

Treasurer’s Report:

Christine Foti –Cromley: Treasurer

We currently have $11,524.52 in our account

$5,000 is allocated for Sign.

$2,800 is allocated for Smart Snacks budget

$1,500 - $2,000 is allocated for Imagination Library

$2,225 - $1,725 left unallocated.

Voting:

First Grade: $150 for (entire grade) supplies for Gingerbread/graham-cracker houses.

(Approved by majority vote with the stipulation that GAPS will do shopping.)

Eliza Bailey (Reading Specialist): $300 Scholastic Dollars/$100 Cash to spend at Scholastic Warehouse sale in order to replenish and update lending library.

(Approved by majority vote)

Colleen Woodworth (Reading Specialist): $400 Scholastic Dollars to spend at Scholastic Warehouse sale in order to replenish and update lending library.

(Approved by majority vote)

Administrative Report:

Greg Bump: Principal

Odyssey of the Mind (OM): More interest than anticipated; 19 students in 4th grade are participating.

Will be broken into 3 teams (Maximum is 7 students per team.)

Advisors:

 Team 1 – Karen Grimm

 Team 2 – Adriann and Christina Shute

 Team 3 – Greg Bump

Upcoming Events:

No events are going on between now and our January 14th meeting.

Closing:

Meeting adjourned at 7:45

Officers for 2012-2013 School Year

President – Erin Virnoche

Vice President – Christina Shute

Treasurer – Christine Foti-Cromley

Secretary – Erin Oristian

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