

SSA General Meeting

September 27, 2016 \ Spoede Library \ 7pm-8:08pm

Present: Katie Vollman, Lisa Goebel, Duffy Hofer, Tiffany L. Taylor-Johnson, Julie Olschansky, Stacey McCrary, Deanna Kelley, Kim Stallons, Sarah Early, Lori Goldenberg, Erin Schreiber, Sarah Saffold, Lisa Fister, Kathie Dolan, Courtney Buxner

- * Introductions
- * TY note from First Grade Team for Amazon Cards
- * TY note from Nurse Cindy for Grant

I. Dr. Stallons' Report

>> Look at updates on her blog. You can subscribe to the blog via email.

>> Noise-reducing tiles are going to be put on the ceiling of the cafeteria.

>> We are going to have a buzzer and a camera put on the back gym door. It is not for use during the day. It is for use for co-curricular activities so the door does not need to be propped open.

>> Birthday hats: Hats this year instead of snacks. A lot of planning went into the idea/decision. This will be revisited at the end of the year.

II. Presidents' Report

a. Grants

- a. Daniel Boone Field Trip- 3rd Grade
- b. CD Players- Ms. Eilermann's Class
- c. Powell Hall Field Trip- First Grade
- d. Giant Connect Four Game- PE
- e. Clothes- Nurse Cindy
- f. Veteran's Day- 500 Flags

TOTAL: \$2000 granted and \$1000 fulfilled so far

* VOTING ON GRANT FOR THIRD GRADE ANIMAL VISIT:

Cost: \$180 >> The motion passed.

b. Halloween Parties

- * Parade- 1:45 and Party- 2:00
- * Classroom Communicators will be sending out emails soon asking for help. The Classroom Communicator is supposed to make sure the class is all set. It should not happen that a class does not have a party planner.

b. Trivia Night

- * February 24th- 6:30-10:00; new instead of annual auction
- * Sarah E.: \$19,000-22,000/year is about what is typically raised each year. 300 tickets will be sold at \$100 each. Trivia Night will cost \$10/person. It will be a community event. The ticket winner will be announced at the Trivia Night. There will not be a live auction, and there will be silent auction component. You do not have to participate in any parts of this you do not want to. There will be no pressure for the winner to donate the money back to the school or SSA.
- * A special trivia man/company will be running the event.
- * Note: It is important to make sure questions reflect diverse thinking and experiences.
- * Question about making tables- these things will be figured out in the future.

c. LEF Breakfast

- * Childcare in conference room B.
- * 7 Board Members are attending

d. Homecoming Parade

- * Parade cancelled this year.
- * Consider Spode participation for the future.

e. My School Bucks

- * Last year directions were specific to add the SSA
- * "How to do My School Bucks" is on the SSA website

Clarifying Communication: The BUZZ is quick news from the SSA, the Gazette is the longer newsletter is from the SSA. You will get Kim Stallons' blog updates. You will get Peachjar updates. You will get communication from your teacher. As per Kim Stallons, eventually teachers will communicate through the Ladue App.

III. Vice President of Finance Report- Julie

- * One Check Initiative- extended the deadline to submit.
- * Receipts a little under where they were last year.

IV. Treasurer's Report- Sarah

- * \$12,135 for OneCheck Participation- 41.6% participation at the moment

V. Vice Presidents' Reports

a. Communications- Sarah

- * Buzz Books are coming out this week.
- * Buzz email information items can be sent to Sarah's personal email.

b. Community- Stacey

- *Fall Family Fun Day is Sunday 1-3pm
- *Updates about the event.
- * Christina made cute boxtop containers.

c. Fundraising

- * Maybe partner with a Senior Living facility to collect box tops for us. The Spoede Kids could sing or send artwork, etc.
- *Trunk-or-Treat: 40 cars so far.
- *We need someone to help direct traffic.
- *Trunk-or-Treat will be in the back.
- *Discussion on logistics.

d. Support- Courtney

- * No Report

VI. Outdoor Learning Center Report- Kathie

- * First Garden Lessons are over, they were a success.
- * Get ready for the second round of lessons.
- * Sarah E. is a great help!
- * Having the sign-up genius a great help.
- * Lisa F.'s son, Ben, worked on an Eagle Scout project to work on the erosion in the OLC. It is great!!
- * Lisa G. is going to inquire with someone about stumps for benches.

VII. Secretary's Report

- * Please make sure you sign in.
- * Please see me if you need more stationery.
- * This fall I have sent 3 SSA Caring Links Cards to Staff Members with gift cards for moments of personal significance in their lives.
- *As of this meeting I have two more cards and gift cards to send.

VIII. Parent District Council Report

- * No Report
- * The minutes from this meeting will be released in the Gazette that comes out tomorrow.

Respectfully submitted,

Katie Vollman

SSA Secretary

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