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## Arrival

Attendance: Matt Winter, Ashley Holien, Gina Lang, Shelly Schanen,

Foundation Members: Kim Gorjestani, Jill Smook, Mike Doubrava, Caroline Koerner, Julia Rohda

Staff Attendance: Jenna Ruble, Kristi Hanson, Cheryl Senum

Minutes from December meeting approved

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## ECFS Program Updates

ECFE: Spring Session in planning process and will include digital and hybrid options. Survey sent out to families and 50% responded they would like to be back in the classroom.

Connections Preschool: Begin full time in person learning on Thursday, January 21. All staff will take recommended safety precautions for themselves and assist children in doing the same.

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## Committee Reports

Square 1 Art – \$1276 in orders, earnings TBA

Community Ed Advisory Council - Update on plan to return to in person learning. Covid impact report shared. District has helped keep Community Ed funding available and they have received funding from the CARES ACT to support continuation of their programming

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## Committees

Recruitment - Kristi and other Parent Educators are collecting interested parents for Advisory council membership. Kristi will forward the list to current advisory council members to reach out to potential recruits.

Matt will be collecting a list of classes and sending out information for current members to join an ECFE class to share information about advisory council and invite parents to join!

Cheryl will get recruitment blurb onto Connections Preschool website. This will also be included in the valentine activity bags.

Advocacy Training Sign up - offer to members, if they would like to attend on behalf of our council.

Fundraising - Valentine “party” - Many ideas circulated to reach our community during Valentines this year at home. Craft event bags will be made and include necklace and crown making supplies, paper airplanes and card making! Ashley and her family will be creating bags. Matt creating bag pick up interest and sign up. Taking freewill donations through PayPal QR code and donation jar at pick up. Asking Crumble cookie in Apple Valley for cookie donations, and reaching out to teachers for possible book reading, circle time, something valentine themed.

Future fundraising Ideas - Food Truck night, Outdoor Movie Night, PNI community event with speaker and online donations (no silent auction at this time)

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### **Other Business**

ECFS Foundation - will continue to be available, help recruit, and attend meetings as they can to support our efforts.

Caroline will be starting a conversation about having a specific DVLC/ECFS district webpage where we can recruit and share events and things happening within our program.

### **Meeting Adjourned**