Parents’ Auxiliary Meeting Minutes

April 9, 2021

Neal Lea, President, called the meeting to order at 8:32 a.m.

Elizabeth Grotte gave the opening prayer.

Kathryn Irby, Secretary, presented the March 12, 2021, meeting minutes for approval. Mary-Margaret Marks moved to approve the minutes. Dustin Davis seconded the motion.

Mary-Margaret Marks, President-Elect, presented the treasurer’s report. As of March 31, the Parents’ Auxiliary has cash reserves of $96,495.03 and is looking forward to the results of the auction this weekend.

Cara Porcelli, Teacher Appreciation Committee, reported that the committee will be in full swing the rest of the year. This week, the committee gave little treats to the teachers in all three divisions. Teacher Appreciation Week is May 3-7, and the committee is planning to do something each day of the week. Parents and students are encouraged to send thank you notes to the teachers and staff during Teacher Appreciation Week.

Jessica Rogers, Field Day Committee, reported that the committee will be using the football field for Field Day. The main goal is to make sure the event is safe for the children and adults involved. One grade will come out at each time. Parents will not be invited this year. There will be one or two volunteers for each class that will have specific jobs. Field Day will be split over two days. More information will be coming in the coming weeks. Activities are being finalized, with some activity changes due to Covid.

Susan Harbour and Hannah Bryan, Auction Committee, reported that the virtual Auction is going well so far and that parents are actively bidding. Hannah Bryan showed the bidding website to demonstrate how easy it is to bid and browse. By default, unless current families advise that they want to pay via cash, check, or credit card, FACTS accounts will be charged for any winning bids. The bidding link is available on the school’s Parents’ Auxiliary website. The live presentation will happen at 7pm on Saturday, and parents will receive an email with the link for that presentation. The committee was thanked for all of the hard work over the last two years.
**Neal Lea** presented on behalf of the **Athletic Awards Committee**. The middle school ceremony will take place on April 14 on the football field. If there is rain on April 14, the ceremony will be held virtually. The upper school ceremony will take place on April 28, with a rain backup date of April 29. Students will sit with their families, and families will need to socially distance.

**Neal Lea** advised the Lower School families of the upcoming **Book Fair**. Parents will not be able to shop in-person with their students, but shopping can be done online, or money can be sent with students. All students will have an opportunity to go to the Book Fair and browse. Virtual students are being given an opportunity to set up a time to shop after school. The teachers’ wish lists will be posted in the Wilcat Weekly.

**Neal Lea** thanked everyone for attending virtually and announced that the next Parents’ Auxiliary meeting is scheduled for Friday, May 7th at 8:30 a.m. With no further questions or announcements, the meeting was adjourned 9:06 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

**Kathryn Irby**