ISC EXECUTIVE MEETING

MINUTES

April 6, 2021 - 9-11am via ZOOM

ATTENDEES:

Sindy Agudelo-Nelson, MiniGrants Chair
Sarah Altman, Immediate Past President
Randi Berry, Member-At-Large
Jessie Burkhardt, Art Show Co-Coordinator
Shirley Clifford, Member-At-Large
Mary Cooke, Treasurer
Karen Dunleavy, Parent Education Series Coordinator
Jenia Keating, Co-President
Ali Liu-Brown, CARE Liaison
Caroline Manogue, Co-President
Cheryl Masterman, Member-At-Large
Lisa Prosnitz, Wellness Coordinator
Lou Savasani, Member-At-Large
Stephanie Tomei, Art Show Co-Coordinator
Peg Wahrman, Staff Appreciation Luncheon Co-Coordinator

Approval of Past Minutes

The minutes from the February and March ISC Board meetings, previously distributed to the Board, were unanimously approved.

Budget Review - Mary Cooke

General Fund - \$17,137 General Fund. All10 schools have paid MiniGrant dues. Paid five MiniGrant reimbursements of \$2,479.79. MiniGrant Fund totals \$15,434.74

Commemorative Tree Update - Caroline Manague

Caroline M. reported that the LMSD School Board accepted the tree and commemorative plaque at its March meeting and that a ceremony to plant the tree this spring will be organized once the Operations Dept. tells they are ready to plant, date TBD.

ISC Elections for the 2021-2022 Board

Laura B. sent out the official notice of election and Caroline M. introduced the slate and congratulated the nominees. She asked that everyone please attend the election, which will take place next Tuesday, April 13 at 9:15 AM via Zoom before general meeting/Hot Topic discussion. She noted that we need to get as many voting members to attend, so that we have a quorum.

ISC Luncheon / Staff Appreciation Update (May 6)

Peg W. reported that she will be sending one more invitation out via Denise LaPera to get a final head count (130 currently). She noted that, on May 6, food and bags will be distributed at the District Admin Building for HSA Presidents to deliver to their schools and members of the ISC Board to distribute to members in the central administration. Peg noted the need to finalize some logistics (indoor / outdoor / rain contingency).

School Board Candidates Forum

Caroline M. reported that Lisa Prosnitz and Shelby Sparrow will again coordinate this event, which will most likely be online in September/October 2021. Lisa P. stated that there have been discussions about possibly doing a separate Committee on Special Education (CSE) debate.

HSA Presidents Update

Jenia K. said that there is nothing major to report other than that some schools are having trouble recruiting volunteers and HSA board members.

MiniGrant Update

Sindy A. reported that 10 grants from 2020-2021 are awaiting receipt for reimbursement (through LMSD purchasing). She noted that she has received 33 applications so far this year (deadline is tomorrow) and that there are applications from every one of the 10 LMSD schools. She noted that Penn Wynne reported they do not receive grants, and that has discouraged new grant applications. Sindy A. noted that they actually have received grants, so she is working to dispel this myth. The grant meeting will take place on Friday, 4/30. Shirley Clifford, Sarah Altman and Karen Dunleavy volunteered to help Sindy collate and prepare the packages for this meeting. Thank you!

Parent Education Update

Karen D. reported that she is working to schedule one more event this year, which will probably be the last for this school year and will feature an outside speaker who will address the myth of "learning loss" during COVID. She said that we need to work on ideas to bolster turnout at these events and figure out how to have better execution for Thursday envelopes and newsletters.

CSE Update

CSE recently ran a presentation about exercise and movement for special-needs students, in particular when they are doing online education.

Wellness Update

Lisa P. discussed implementing later start times and the situation with the lights on Arnold Field. She also discussed the current issues surrounding the new middle school fields. Caroline M. and Jenia K. committed to speak with Mr. Copeland about these issues in their monthly 1:1 with him.

Committee Reports

It was noted that everyone had received the written reports from the At-Large members. Randi B. led a discussion about high school advisory and middle school LEARN not living up to expectations and how to best hold teachers accountable for teaching the curriculum discussed at the Board's Curriculum meetings. The need for teachers to better communicate with parents was also discussed.

Art Show Update

Jessie B. and Stephanie T. worked hard to pull off a very successful online art show. Thank you! There was discussion of possibly keeping the art show online in the future but there were

concerns expressed about that potentially diluting interest in the actual physical art show and doubling the work for the ISC Art Show coordinators. Jessie B. noted that the Main Line Art Center is holding March 5-13, 2022 for the 2021-22 ISC Art Show.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11 AM.