

## **December 7, 2015**

### **Executive Board Meeting Minutes**

#### **Principal's Report-Nancy Zitzmann**

- 2016/17 calendar is out,
- First day of school 16-17 is August 16.
- Luecke, Blumenkemper, and Lewis are all attending a writing workshop next week.
- Casey Ann is working hard on preparing specific classroom lists of allergies. New snack policy is in effect for Winter party. Each "snack parent" will be responsible in contacting allergy parents to agree on safe snacks for each classroom. If a snack does not work for a student with an allergy, the snack parent and allergy parent will need to work on a compromise or allergy parent will be responsible for bringing in a safe snack for their child. A paper copy of new policy will be sent home with each child.

#### *BEST requests*

- Lindsey Graves requests \$458.58 for a math & science marble fun run and ramp.
  - Nancy will suggest she apply for a WGSD Foundation grant
- Anne Link requests for a renewal subscription for an online book site, \$500
  - Board approved this BEST request, since the whole school uses the program.

#### **Teacher's Report-Jamie Devlin**

- Muldrow and Devlin attended the math conference last week and are excited to start implementing the new strategies they learned in their classrooms and sharing what they learned with the other 4th & 5th grade teachers as well as 3rd.
- Postivite feedback on conferences and new progress reports.

#### **President's Report-Holly Kunze & Becky Hauser**

- Dad's Club has some interest from Centron Felder and Rob Skinner, waiting for them to plan an initial meeting.
- Bristol PTO applied for a WGSD Foundation grant and were approved for \$800, money will go towards large games to be used by entire school, scheduled by Mrs Harness and Mrs. Fields.
  - Playground was voted to go on (depending on if the estimate is still \$60,000. Board agreed we could work wit a tighter budget this school year to pay to finish resurfacing the 3rd (and last) section of playground. With \$44,000 in account now, and using money raised at Trivia Night, it was agreed that we will have enough money to cover the rest of the 15-16 school year expenses and still pay to finish playgorund.
  - PTO Exec board decided not to host a sign up party, but will revisit if more sign up parties are needed.
  - Holiday Gifts, Nancy wil send out a note to parents asking for donations for holiday gifts for Nancy, the crossing guard, the 4 custodians, and 2 cooks in cafeteria. Nancy will take care of collecting and passing out.

#### **1st V-Ps Report-Ellen Moriarty & Naomi Neal**

- Book fair was most successful in past history, \$4800, Anne Link is ordering books for library.
- ArtFest is scheduled for Jan 19, theme is "2D, or not 2D" Dacia Stewart has several artists already lined up, and always looking for new contributors. All on schedule and doing OK, will contact with any needs.
- Trivia Night theme "I love the 90's" "Smells like Bristol Spirit" are some of the ideas for this year's trivia night theme. This is our last year at Rigali Center, they are no longer allowing outside organizations to use their facility. A new place has already been found, and a deposit has been made, IBEW local 1, on the hill. New facility holds more people (499) and deposit is the same. Doors will open at 5:30 and trivia will begin at 6:30. Jason Hodge and Kory Kunze will

MC again. Focusing on having unique experiences for auction. Having only 3 live auction items. Volunteers will dress in like shirts. No more premiere tables, but having premier bar, selling Bristol Tervis cups for said bar. Need to encourage all parents to reach out to anyone they know who can offer donations to auction. Next meeting will be in mid-January, registration forms will go out after Winter Break. Fund A Need suggestions, Makers Space, funds for playground.

### **2nd V-Ps Report-Kevin Mitchell & Katie Franke**

- WGSD Foundation is offering Teacher Tributes again this year.
- Our boys and girls cross country team both made it to State and were recognized
- Details of the retirement package were provided to those teachers who accepted because of the failure of the tax proposition ... :staff members that would give them a choice of three years of health insurance premiums paid by the district or a lump sum of \$5,000 for two years. The offer requires that at least 12 teachers in the district participate for the plan to go forward. Non-certified staff would be able to choose to have either 25 percent of their health insurance paid or \$2,000 lump sum for each of two years.

- Asst Super John Simpson reported on student success: percentages of students scoring proficient or advanced on MAP in English, science, and social studies highest since MAP began; WGSD is the highest among state; 11th grade ACT average ranked well; the highest number of Advanced Placement tests taken at High School in history and the highest AP average score ever; and significant increase in percentage of African American students participating in higher level classes, and the highest to take the ACT.

- He also reported on Rachel's Challenge, anti-bullying programs, and wellness issues.

- Total elementary students decreased by 29, total student increase over all 31.

### **Treasurer's Report- Sherri Fowler & Sarah Calame**

- Current balance \$44,000

- This is Sherri's last year on executive board, a new treasurer will need to be found for next school year, Sherri has also requested the person who takes her place possibly start sooner than later with her to learn the role.