Eagle River Optional Steering Committee Meeting Minutes

August 23, 2017

In attendance: Lisa N, Codie, Anna, Celest, Andrew, Kaleigh, Danae, Donabelle, Amy, Erin, Daniela, Nicole, Lisa P, Kalesha, Jennifer, LJ, Felicia and Kelly

Meeting called to order by Lisa N at 5:38pm

1. Introductions made

2. Approved May 2017 meeting minutes. Kaleigh moved, Danae seconded.

3. Budget:

- a. Same budget as last year.
- b. Fees are starting to get paid.
- c. Kelly is new treasurer and still in transition with Kaleigh.
- d. Emails need to be sent out to parents in the next week to remind them about paying fees.
- e. Teachers have money in their accounts

4. Communications (Flyers, e-mail, Facebook, & hall board)

- a. Possibly need a communication coordinator. For now send all info to Lisa N or Codie.
- b. All flyers and handouts need to be turned in 1 week prior to it needing to go out for Wednesday folders.
- c. Principle Prince would like to review all flyers prior to being sent home.

5. Learning Labs (Daniela & Donabelle)

- a. Budget \$300
- b. Need to get parents/lab leaders to turn in receipts even if they are donating so that we can track of the cost to keep it going.
- c. Dates: Oct 3, 2017; February 13, 2018; May1, 2018 (Tuesdays) starting at 9:30-11:30 am.
- d. Labs ideas and ones to retire to be emailed to Daniela by the teachers

6. Coffee and Kleenex (Nicole)

- a. Monday, August 28th after Kindy drop off.
- b. Meet in MPR
- c. Joint event with PTA.
- d. Parents are encouraged to meet/greet new optional families.
- e. Let Nicole know if you can help.

7. Garden (Nicole, Julia and Amber)

- a. Garden dates approved.
 - -Garden Harvest Fri. 9/1 and Tues. need 6 parent volunteers.
 - -Harvest kale & send home with parents to cook Thurs. Aug 31st
 - -Serve kale chips Fri. Sept. 1st (optional wide) during harvest
 - -Prior to Thur, 9/7 Need volunteer to shop for additional soup items.
 - -Soup making in each class: Thur, 9/7 at 9am; 2 parent volunteers/class and 1 floater.
- b. Signups need to be sent out.
- c. ** Principle Prince or Gail needs to know ahead of time for using MPR for events so that a rental agreement form can be filled out. Rental for 9/7 is done.

8. Potluck and Bi-annual Meeting (Felicia-Potluck / Lisa & Codie-general meeting)

- a. Thursday, Sept. 7th @ 6:30pm in the MPR
- b. Need parent volunteers (need a signup) for the following:
 - -Set up at 5:45, cleanup at 7:45pm, greeter, someone to ladle soup, organize food (help tell people where it goes)
- c. Farmers market for veggies.
- d. Talked about donating carrots and/or money from farmers market to Kids Kitchen. Talked about getting the director of Kids Kitchen to possibly come out.

9. Back to school night (Lisa)

a. Date: Sept. 12th 6:30-7:30

10. Eagle River High School- Team Building Event (Teachers)

a. TBD

11. Fall Carnival (Felicia, Amy & Danae)

- a. Waiting for PTA to decide if there will be one this year.
- b. Option to have a booth at a new event (LJ & Kaleigh) at Lions club Oct 28th
- c. Possibly have another event for kids if we do not have the Fall Carnival.

12. Fundraising (LJ & Anna)

- a. Kids Kreation deadline for artwork submissions: Oct. 6th
- b. Northern Lights coupon books available for sale Oct, 16; Cost \$55; Pre-sales have now started.
- c. Local business donations (Lisa)

13. Craft Day (Cherie)

- a. Dates: Dec. 8 & 15th
- b. Budget and needs: TBD

14. PTA Report (Meets 1st Tues. of month at 6:30 in library)

a. No PTA liaison present

15. Principle Prince Report

a. Over 400 kiddos and everyone seems happy

16. New Business

- a. Mr. Long brought up possible fundraising for new Cromebooks.
 - -Would need 32. Need to look in to cost. Would these be for Optional or entire school? Possible to get a grant?

17. Play dates

- a. TBD
- **18. Next Meeting**: Wednesday, Sept. 13th at 5:30pm at Pizza Man

Meeting end: 7pm