



GARDEN CREEK HOME AND SCHOOL

Minutes – Tuesday, October 15, 2019

6:30 pm – School Library

Present: Rebekah Thompson, Samantha Robichaud, Megan Hamlyn, Katherine Campbell, Elyse Kelly, Amanda Williams, Andy Han, Amy White, Ellen Thompson, Holly MacLean, Lily Smallwood, Stephanie Elkins, Lise Arnston

Regrets: Hannah Steeves-Carney, Cheyenne Dickinson

- **Welcome/Introductions** - Amanda welcomed the group and introductions made around the table
- **Playground update**
 - They came last week to look but haven't been back/haven't heard further. Waiting to hear further.
 - Funnel ball is going to be installed – same location.
 - Swing and ladder to be fixed.
- **Test Drive Update**
 - Julie not present for update
 - 32 drivers in total
 - Options for future – BBQ, bouncy castles, etc. Potentially different time of year. Potential to contact Riverview Ford (also in school). Could potentially do it in conjunction with craft fair? Potential to do it in May rather than September
 - Car seat issue
- **Treasurer's report – Andy Han**
 - No change. Same amounts approved for playground (approx.. \$5000).
 - Current available balance: ~\$2,700
- **Funding requests from school staff**
 - One teacher looking for funds for library books on social justice themed books
 - Same teacher is currently getting bottle proceeds right now

- Another teacher (Mr. Slack) looking for funds to do spout on water fountain to fill water bottles. He is considering doing it as a private fundraiser. Ms. C suggested it could be acquired through a grant. Interested teacher is looking into it to quote

- **Hot Lunch Program Update – Jodie Yerxa**
 - Jodie not present. Bagels starting soon.

- **Movie Night**
 - October 15th doors open at 6:15pm
 - Toy Story 4, Angry Birds 2 not available
 - Memo to come from Theresa with details
 - Popcorn (\$1.00), gummies, chocolates, etc. available for purchase (on sale at Costco)
 - Encouraging everyone to bring own water bottles. Water available at \$1.00/bottle.
 - Proceeds to Home and School

- **Bazaar**
 - Info to go out tomorrow to parents with calendar
 - Have leads for all tables/events
 - Hannah - Silent Auction & Elf Auction
 - Kevin Tobin – MC
 - Amy and Stephanie – Bake Sale
 - Rebekah & Sam – Theme baskets
 - Dan – Creeker Café
 - Jodie and Ashley - Photo booth
 - Amy & Stephanie - Bake Sale Table
 - Andy – Tickets
 - Julie – Poinsettias
 - Ellen – Cookie decorating
 - Stella and Erika – Reindeer food
 - Holly and Katherine – Santa’s Workshop
 - Julie Ferguson Little – Wrapping
 - Elyse and Claire G. – Fish Pond
 - Mr. Briden and Heather Neville – Face painting (Heather Buying)
 - Lily – Cupcake walk
 - Ask parents to donate wrapping paper
 - Santa’s workshop and wrapping station to be in music room
 - Fish pond and pictures to be in library
 - Email to be sent for business owners for silent auction donations
 - Option to donate through cashless schools rather than donate for Santa’s Workshop – to be approved by Mrs. Campbell
 - Still in need of a Santa and Santa costume. Lily to speak to past Santa re: availability.

- **Chapter's Night**
 - Dec 3rd
 - \$5000 raised at Chapters Night last year
 - 6:00pm – 9pm. Choir to sing at the start of the evening. Details not yet set in stone.

- **PSSC Update**
 - PSSC sub-committee meeting re: litterless lunch and milk cartons. Sat to discuss how to get kids involved in initiative.
 - ECHO program – pilot to reduce waste in classrooms. Teachers and students to brainstorm ideas and they will come back to next meeting to see what to implement.
 - Option to have guest speaker presentation on resiliency (\$125 plus cost for overnight accommodations, etc.)

- **Acorn Fundraising Information – Amy White**
 - Teachers received today and some sent home
 - Deadline is November 1st to have back to school. They are to go home around 28th of October. Option to extend through weekend if necessary.
 - Set up with cheque – not cashless schools.

- **Home and School Recruitment**
 - Set something up at Parent-Teacher Interviews?
 - Poster about home and school with sign up sheet below. Friday night – 22nd.
 - Hannah to send email out to recruit new volunteers.

- **Meeting adjourned at 7:20pm**

Submitted by Ellen Thompson & Rebekah Thompson

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