

Friends of Coonley Board Meeting

June 4, 2019, 7 p.m.

Board Members in attendance: Ellen McGarry, Kristin Morris, Brooke Odem, Brooke Roark, Kathy Alvarez, Inka Cherry, Christina Kreidler, Erin VanAwken

Honorary Board Members in attendance: Kelly Lish, Esther Storrie

Guests in attendance: Lisa Mishkin, Kathleen Therese Hayes, Sherry Skalko

Call to order (B. Roark): Called meeting to order at 7:12 p.m.

Review and Approval of Meeting Minutes (B. Roark): Minutes delayed by email issue. Will approve 3 months via email and post them to the website ASAP.

Treasurer's Report (K. Alvarez): Had some larger checks to pay out for Spring Fling and Coonleywear and Special Olympics. K. Alvarez motions to approve checks paid. I. Cherry seconds. All approve. The total committed accounts have \$550,392.61 and total available funds are \$341,758.31. Net monthly income is \$19,763.84. K. Alvarez motions to approve Treasurer's report. I. Cherry seconds. All approve. Yearly audit for 2018 is complete and was clean and has been signed off on. Aim to finish next year's in October

School Administration Report (B. Roark): Mr. Laslo gave Brooke some quotes for requests. \$170 to fix two outdoor basketball rims. \$13,950 for sanding and painting gym floor. Repairing not to exceed \$3,000. \$12,500 for volleyball covers, posts, nets and basketball mechanical equipment to raise/lower from hoops 8 to 10 feet. Would fix up the entire gym. B. Odem moves to approve the costs. E. McGarry seconds. Seven approve, I. Cherry against. Motion passes. Will cost just under \$10K for John Deere snowplow. B. Roark made motion to buy the snowplow. B. Odem seconded. Five approve, three against (K. Morris, E. McGarry, K. Alvarez). Motion passes.

LSC Update (E. Storrie): Heard the CIWP update which is one of main roles of LSC. One of two updates for the year. LSC organizational meeting is July 11 at 6 p.m. Will set meeting schedule for 2019-20 school year.

Coonley Core (K. Lish): Core week kicked off yesterday. Doing a social media challenge. It's starting to get rolling. Winners will win Amazon gift cards. Windy City Ninjas renewed at bronze level. Looking to do a Coonley party on a weekend in the fall. Tuco and Blondie are doing a giveback all day on June 12. 20% off if patrons mention Coonley. Donating profits of all ice cream sales in June as well.

Spring Fling (B. Odem): Spring Fling budget has been provided to finance team.

Coonley Cares (B. Roark): Great showing at Service party on May 31. 180 kids came and made about \$3,000 for Common Pantry. Donated 351 pounds of goods. Found another potential partner in Share your spare. Girl scouts did a great job at the event. Can put a thank you to the community in the FOC blast.

8th grade grad (E. Van Awken): Rhonda Gettleman heading it up with other 7th grade parents. She has thorough notes from Beneen Prendiville from last year. Wondering what budget should be for Panera and beverages. Last year was \$2K. Want to make changes from last year's order now that we've seen what food items are in demand. Make sure it's all adequate for rising numbers of 8th graders.

Box Tops (C. Kriedler): We received a check from Box Tops for \$674. Amazon smile was \$147. We are counting the last batch now. Looks like it will come in around \$2,000 for the year. Next year will be a mix of digital Box Tops/counting.

Speaker Series (C. Kriedler): Consider doing assemblies for students next year, which PTO used to sponsor. Will discuss with Heather.

6-8 Dance (I. Cherry): 211 kids attended. Kids had positive feedback. Should we consider having a phone check at the dances? Could help with social media privacy. Also can evaluate if it makes sense to split the age groups differently next year.

Teacher appreciation (E. Van Awken/C. Kreidler): Happy hour was last Friday. D'Agostinos donated over \$500 in pizza for free. Need to send them a thank you note for extreme generosity. Load the lounge -- last one was May 20 to get teachers through end of the year. End of year this year we will let classrooms handle however they'd like. Still talking about ways to make it more streamlined next year.

Field Day (I. Cherry): We will make a Costco run for hot dogs/snacks for field day. Monday the 17th is field day. Need to do a signup genius to get enough cars for the Costco run.

Volunteer appreciation (B. Roark): Went well. About 50 people there.

Playground update (E. McGarry): Lake Coonley has to be fixed first because we don't know how much needs to be torn up. Will do an exploratory dig the day after school. CPS says they're footing the bill for it. B. Odem/Ellen will meet with Mr. Z soon to discuss FOC plans/ability to add enhancements to playground when it's fixed.

Other business (B. Roark): In our best interest to get a tax-exempt Costco Card. We'd get cash back for being an executive member that would easily pay for the annual fee. Would save some reimbursement checks as well. Also talked to auditor about getting our own credit card. Only one or two people would be authorized. Would make things easier by not having to have Mr. Laslo have to go every time.

Storage room (B. Roark): Needs to be cleaned out. Pick a day after school this month. I. Cherry will send out another doodle. May need to get a bigger space. Will continue to negotiate for a cheaper deal.

Third-floor room (B. Roark): Can we turn the third-floor raised room into a more welcoming spot over the summer. Maybe Renee or Heather Jurewicz would be interested in helping out.

2019-20 school year (B. Roark): B. Roark's term as president is technically up in October. Need to decide if someone else wants to step in or if board wants to vote to ask her to return for a third year.

Adjournment: B. Roark moved to adjourn meeting at 8:32. B. Odem seconded. All approve.

Minutes prepared by K. Morris. Next FOC meeting scheduled for Aug. 6, 2019.