

Home and School Meeting Minutes - DRAFT May 16, 2017

ATTENDEES:

Officers: Kara Erchull, Chrissy Kennedy-Kortes, Theresa Sebestyen, and Ann Szeflinski Committee Liaison: Sara Johns

Staff: Katy Williams, Jamie Veal Colleen Korom

Parents – Rachel Schaar, Tracy G, Kim Jaquez, Molly Carroll, Kathy Barnhart, Colleen Tadych, Marlo McCormick, Kate McFarlane, Jessica Opat, Christina Bowers, Jill Winkler, Danielle Sciano, Deanna Meyer

AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION/CONCLUSIONS
Call to order & Introductions	The meeting was called to order at 6:36 p.m. in the Elmwood Elementary Library
Review/Approve Minutes	Motioned by Rachel Schaar to approve March 20, 2017 Home and School Meeting Minutes, seconded by Tracy G., minutes approved with no changes.
Notes from Co- Presidents	<i>Committee Openings</i> – Kara and Theresa reported that most chair positions are filled for next year. Colleen Tadych noted that she will be requesting a volunteer to shadow her next year to potentially take over as co-chair on the staff appreciation committee the following year.
	<i>Rain Barrels</i> – The rain barrels decorated by the Green Team are on display at the New Berlin Public Library and are located on the second floor. A picture will be posted to the Home and School Facebook page.
Notes from the Principal and/or	Katy thanked Home and School, especially the staff appreciation committee, for a wonderful staff appreciation week.
Vice Principal	She also thanked Sara Johns for the fabulous Artist in Residence project. It was a huge success!
	Katy Williams and Jaime Veal presented the following updates regarding the Elmwood's Student Development Program/Mission:
	 Academic – Staff will be working on the class placements for the 2017/2018 year over the next few weeks. Katy reminded parents to share their input for their student's class placement via the online link provided in PawPrints. These are due on Friday, May 19. Grade level teams all participate in class placement and evaluate many factors as to where to place each student. Career Readiness –
	Jump into our Future day was held on May 5th. Elmwood piloted the initiative this year for online selections which were intended to be done with parent involvement. Thank you to all parents who volunteered.
	 We are looking to build leaders. Staff is currently training 5th graders to be peer mediators with the help of Mary Jane Witty. Twenty students who applied for the mediator position will be trained for next year. This is considered a co-curricular. Finally, looking to bring student council back next year. We have teachers that have agreed to lead the student council.
	 Behavior – We have assemblies planned for next year that will focus on social and emotional factors.

	 Playworks: Playworks is a non-profit organization that teaches social, emotional, safe, healthy and inclusive play at recess time. Jaime has seen Playworks in action at a different school and has personally seen the benefits of the program. PlayWorks staff will work one on one with our staff on the program and how to facilitate in the future. Once staff is trained, we will work to build in leadership with the older students. There is a focus on cooperative play which is designed to be less competitive and to be all inclusive for all students who choose to participate. The Playworks program fits well within Elmwood's current behavior plan. Katy noted that research shows that social, emotional safety can increase academic. 		
	Molly Carroll expressed her concerns with the staffing plan for next year that has 3 classrooms for each grade (except for 6 th grade which will have 4). Katy noted that this is comparable across all New Berlin schools and was a District decision. Katy will take these comments to District. She suggested that concerns also be voiced via email to Joe Garza or Kelly Sanders. Staffing is reviewed annually by District, therefore could change in future years.		
Treasurer's Report	May Financials:		
	Ann distributed and discussed three documents to meeting attendees – May Financial Statement, Pie Charts, and Treasurers Report. Please see these attached documents for highlights of revenues, expenses, and upcoming events that will impact the budget.		
	Proposed 2017/2018 Budget:		
	Ann presented the 2017/2018 Budget. She noted that Executive Board had extensive discussions on the proposed budget. She pointed out that this budget is not a balance budget similar to 2016/2017 budget.		
	Highlights:		
	 We will continue to schedule Eat and Earns, but some changes will be made to locations. Next year we will not have events at Culvers, Quarter Steak & Lube, or McDonalds. We plan to add Yo Fresh next year. We will no longer be proactively requesting HID donations from families. The HID 		
	 expense budget has been increased significantly to keep the workshops fresh and interesting for students and to make up for lost revenue from donations. The Spring Dance will go back to a formal event; however it will not be a planned as a fundraiser. We intend for it to be Home and School signature event. As noted on the budget, the event is planned to net at a deficit of \$500. 		
	 Ann noted that the Teacher Raffle is budgeted to be "less of a fundraiser" in the coming year. We discussed this potential change and options available. It was determined that the Teacher Raffle Committee ultimately will make the decision as to how the event is run and what ticket price/limits will be. The committee will need to take into consideration that the students need time to eat their lunch. Based on feedback we have received, children are spending too much time at the raffle and don't have time to eat. 		
	 Artist in Residence – Going forward we don't want to budget held funds for future years. The plan is to have a rotating type of artist each year (i.e. author, artist, musician). Class Stipend - \$50 will be given to each teacher with some parameters as to how, and what, the money can be spent on (i.e. literacy focus). Katy discussed the strategy around having a focus on how the funds can be sent. There is still \$2,000 budgeted for Teacher/Staff Support for larger purchases and needs over and above the stipend allotment. 		
	 Co-curricular expense has been increased due to several new co-curricular. 6th grade gift may have raised extra funds to put towards the maintenance of their gift purchased this year. These funds would be considered held funds for next year. Musical – Proposed an increase our budget for the musical. We would like to provide 		

	 more support for this event (i.e. choreographer, make-up, set construction). Home and School currently pay for the rights. The group discussed if this should be deemed Home and School event and if we should have a chair person for the event. No decision was made on a chair at this time. Peer Mediation – There is a new expense line for the t-shirts for the peer mediators. Katy noted special shirts will be worn by this group so all students know who they are and that they are part of this group. Playworks – Katy noted that we need subs, therefore this expense should be closer to \$10,000 (\$8,000 was originally noted in the budget). We will advertise that money raised at the Fun Run will be used to fund Playworks. This would not be an annual expense. Stage Curtain – This will also be advertised as a Fun Run purchase. Discussed if there is any maintenance in future years, for example dry cleaning. Katy noted that we need to purchase within legal guidelines (i.e. needs to be flame resistance). Ann pointed out the following items that run through H&S but are considered "a wash" with respect to the budget - Kindergarten t-shirts, 6th grade graduation gift, book fair, musical gifts, seat sacks; school supply packs. The group discussed the decrease to staff appreciation expense budget. Finally, the group discussed the deficit Budget of \$26,811. If we stay true to this budget, it would leave Home and School with a checking account balance of \$17,000 in "available" funds at year end next year. The group discussed the amount to be kept in the checking account year over year. We discussed the idea that should fundraising fall short this fall, there are several expenses we can easily scale back (ex. Teacher/Classroom Support) and fundraising we can add back if needed (ex. Request Family Donations for High Interest Day). We also noted that if Fun Run money comes in short, we will not purchase the \$10,000 Playworks and/or the stage curtain this fall. We noted that
Elections 2017-2019	 <i>Co-President</i> - Rachel Schaar nominated Jill Winkler for co-president. Molly Carroll seconded the nomination. Hand vote was taken and Jill was unanimously approved. <i>Treasurer</i> – Danielle Sciano nominated Kate McFarlane for Treasurer. Sara Johns seconded the nomination. Hand vote was taken and Kate was unanimously approved.
Committee Reports	 Home and School Parent Survey - Theresa Sebestyen reported that a parent survey was included in PawPrints and was posted to the Facebook page. This was the first time that Home and School has requested that parents complete a survey. We primarily wanted to gather feedback and to get the word out about what H&S is all about and what we support. Theresa hopes to get another survey out this year. Boosterthon/ "Fun Run" – The event is scheduled to take place on either November 2nd or 3rd. Boosterthon staff will be at Elmwood the week prior to build up excitement for the students. The date is subject to change. Elmwood is first on the waiting list to schedule earlier in the year should another school cancel. Kara and Molly will begin looking for donations soon. Artist in Residence - Sara reported that this year's project was amazing. Marina was great with the kids and was able to include all students in the project.
	the kids and was able to include all students in the project. Sara noted that she was very thankful for Marina's organization and leadership during the project. Artwork will be installed over the summer.
Staff Reports	Please see attached Staff Reports. Mrs. Korom reported that kindergarten just completed MAP testing and showing growth.

Review of Past Events	 <u>Book Fair</u> – took place March 27th-31st – We had \$10,655.44 in total sales. Just under \$6,926.03 in scholastic dollars profit. We distributed approx. \$2,131 in books to teacher and staff with a remaining \$8,473 scholastic dollar balance. Jaime will use approx. \$3000 of this balance for new books for the fall and \$5000 will be used to provide a free book to each student during the fall Book Fair. <u>Musical</u> – was held on March 30. The event went well. <u>Spring Dance</u> – was on April 7 – Danielle Sciano reported that the event went well. Feedback from the DJ was positive regarding behavior of our students. A link to the pictures will be posted on PawPrints. Danielle is looking at two potential dates for Spring Dance for next year and will discuss with Theresa and newly elected co-president Jill Winkler. <u>Culver's Eat and Earn</u> – took place on April 25 - The event went well and \$277.37 was earned for Home and School. <u>Teacher Appreciation</u> – took place May 1 – 5th with a Hollywood VIP theme. The staff dinner was well attended (approx. 35 staff) at Matty's dinner. The dinner is the largest expense as it runs approx. \$17 per attendee. Raffle prizes were impressive. It was noted that the timing of the dinner was great as it was right before Teacher Appreciation week. During the week, staff received a breakfast, a lunch, chair massages and swag bags. The chair massages were well
Upcoming Events	appreciated and will be back next year. <u>MOD Pizza Eat and Earn</u> – will be held May 23rd – This is a new Eat & Earn for us. A flyer will
	be required and this is an all-day event. Molly noted that it gets very busy so parents should be prepared to wait in line.
	<u>High Interest Day</u> – June 2nd – Theresa noted that they are in final stages of preparation and all is going well. Asked for additional volunteers. She also reported that they have a new and exciting finale planned for this year. It will be a lot of FUN!
	6 th Grade Completion Ceremony – June 8 th - Safari theme. Marlo McCormick reported that all planning is going well.
	<u>APAWZZZ reward</u> – Special top secret guest will be performing at an assembly to be held on June 8 th .
	<u>Welcome Back Night</u> (f.k.a Meet Your Teacher Night) – will be held on August 30 th . We will need volunteers for seat sack sales, Spirit wear and Committee Sign- Up table.
Open Floor	To follow up to prior meeting discussion on a volunteer to coordinate donations, Jessica Opat has been contacted and has volunteered to be the newly created position of donation chairperson.
Next Meeting	Home and School – TBD
Adjourned	Molly Carroll made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and Danielle Sciano seconded the motion. Meeting was adjourned at 9:02 p.m.

Elmwood Home and School

Treasurer Report

May 16, 2017

Synopsis

As of May 15, we have \$61,705.40 in our Elmwood Home and School checking account.

For the remainder of this year, I project approximately \$2,700 in revenue (largely from Sixth Grade Graduation activities). I project approximately \$8,000 of expenses (primarily High Interest Day and Sixth Grade Graduation). Accounts that will still have activity May – June are shaded on the financial statement.

Deducting the \$12,500 of held funds for Chess Club and the minimum bank balance, we will end the year with approximately \$43,800 in available funds.

It's been a very active year for your Home and School! By year end, we will have had revenue of over \$76,000 and spent over \$80,000. We had budgeted to end the year with a net loss of \$15,000 but will only spend approximately \$4,000 over budget.

Revenue Highlights Since March Meeting

- Amazon Smile (total of \$138.15)
- Box Tops for Education (total of \$2,115.00)
- Eat and Earn Buffalo Wild Wings (\$216.81)
- Eat and Earn Culvers (\$277.37)
- Eat and Earn Panera (\$268.85)
- High Interest Day Donations (\$2,190.00)
- Matty's Card (total of \$2,154.50)
- Dance Revenue (\$943.50, less expenses, net income of \$37.58)
- Incredi-Roll Revenue (total of \$303.00)
- Musical Souvenirs (\$200.00 start up cash plus \$699.50 less expenses, net income \$6.40)

Notable Expenses and Purchases since March Meeting

- Bleachers for our gymnasium! (\$15,000.00 we will be adding a plaque)
- A Pawzz Positive Behavior Program celebration assembly June 8th!
- Artist in Residence Marina Lee! (\$4,407.85)
- Co-curriculars (\$3,500.00 budgeted contribution plus \$31,80 authorized to paint the Rain Barrel)
- Hospitality / Staff Appreciation (total \$1,480.64 includes the Staff Appreciation Week activities and the Matty's Staff Social)



- Sixth Grade Gift (\$1,095 from classes of 2014 and 2015 will bring Elmwood a great new surprise!)
- Teacher / Classroom Support (\$976.20 included Art manikins and other supplies, book bins and books for Ms. Hyland, spoons for Music, and additional books for the 6th grade team)
- Microphones for the Stage and sound board repair (\$542.86)
- Videoconferences for all grades (\$2,810.00)
- Fun Run reservation for fall 2017 (\$2,000.00)
- Sixth Grade Graduation (\$468.00 spent so far)
- Book Fair (cash received and bill paid, net \$4.98 expense)
- Postage (total \$33.87)

We will not spend our Assembly budget this year, but have already engaged potential assembly speakers for next year and have a plan to ensure that we put that budget to good use.

Closing the Year ...

Please submit all remaining expenses and deposits to me via the Home and School lockbox in the hallway as soon as possible, so I can close out the books for this fiscal year. Remember all deposits and requests for reimbursement must be accompanied by an *Elmwood Home and School Request for Payment or Cash Advance* and blank *Deposit Forms* are available in the hallway box (adjacent to the BoxTops mailbox) as well as in the main office for your use. They are also located online at http://elmwoodhns.weebly.com (About > Reports and Forms).

Our books have been audited and they are available for review at any time. If you have any questions about the Elmwood Home and School budget or financial statement, contact me at 414-232-7523, or by email <u>ann.breckenfelder@usbank.com</u>.

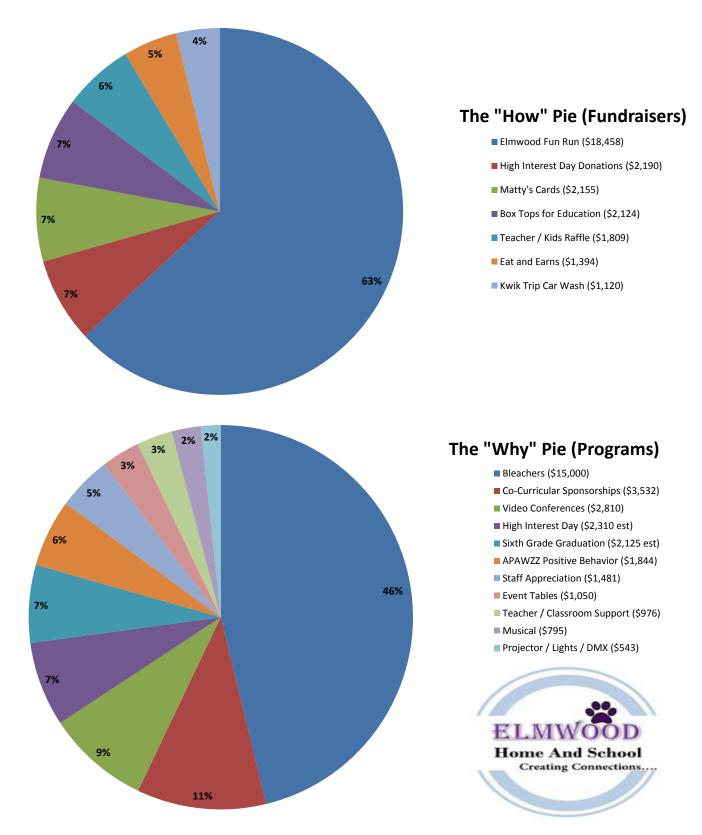
It has been an honor and a pleasure serving as your Treasurer for the past two years.

Ann M. Szeflinski, Treasurer

May 16, 2017

Elmwood Home and School: Finances At A Glance

May 2017



Notes: Actuals are shown for the 2016-17 year (projected where necessary). Deminimus amounts (under \$200) not shown. Only largest (\$500+) sponsored activities are shown. Program costs are shown net of any offsetting income.

Prepared May 2017 by Ann Szeflinski, Treasurer.

ELMWOOD HOME & SCHOOL FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Transactions through 5/15/17

		Actual	Budget	Actual YTD	Over (Under)
	Category Name	2015-2016	2016-2017	2016-2017	Budget
	Amazon Smile	86.11	65.00	138.15	73.15
s	Box Tops for Education	1,711.50	2,000.00	2,123.70	123.70
ion	Eat and Earn - Buffalo Wild Wings	N/A	0.00	216.81	216.81
Revenue - Contributions	Eat and Earn - Chipotle	338.53	350.00	317.80	(32.20)
htri	Eat and Earn - Culvers	N/A	0.00	277.37	277.37
Cor	Eat and Earn - McDonalds	425.00	400.00	313.00	(87.00)
ч С	Eat and Earn - Panera	N/A	0.00	268.85	268.85
nua	Eat and Earn - Quaker Steak & Lube	196.83	200.00	0.00	(200.00)
seve a	Family General Donations	25.00	0.00	82.59	82.59
	High Interest Day Donations	4,088.03	2,000.00	2,190.00	190.00
	Sixth Grade Legacy Gift Donations 2017	0.00	500.00		(500.00)
- Bu	Elmwood Fun Run and T-Shirt Sponsorships	N/A	10,000.00	40,604.20	30,604.20
Revenue - Fundraising	Kwik Trip Car Wash	1,692.00	1,332.00	2,520.00	1,188.00
eve	Matty's Card	6,060.00	5,000.00	2,154.50	(2,845.50)
R	Teacher/Kids Raffle	1,529.60	1,300.00	1,808.50	508.50
	Book Fair Revenue	14,031.57	0.00	12,242.94	12,242.94
	Dance Revenue	1,730.00	1,800.00	943.50	(856.50)
une	Fall Fest Revenue	789.21	800.00	1,209.25	409.25
svel	Incredi-Roll Revenue	150.50	150.00	303.00	153.00
e Re	Kingergarten T-Shirts Revenue	530.00	530.00	641.00	111.00
vice	Movie Night Revenue	46.00	50.00	389.80	339.80
Ser	Musical Revenue	424.50	100.00	899.50	799.50
E	Seat Sacks Revenue	849.00	0.00	80.00	80.00
Program Service Revenue	Sixth Grade Graduation 2017	4,271.50	2,200.00		(2,200.00)
	Sixth Grade Graduation 2016 (LY Income Recd)	N/A	N/A	5.00	5.00
	Spirit Wear Revenue	2,501.00	2,000.00	4,014.39	2,014.39
	Yearbook Revenue	350.00	200.00		(200.00)
Other	Interest	50.42	35.00	55.73	20.73
	TOTAL REVENUE	62,796.89	31,012.00	73,799.58	42,787.58

	Catagory Namo	Actual	Budget	Actual YTD	Over (Under)
	Category Name	2015-2016	2016-2017	2016-2017	Budget
	A Pawzz Positive Behavior Program	600.00	1,500.00	1,843.90	343.90
	Assemblies	1,300.00	1,500.00	0.00	(1,500.00)
	Bleachers for Gymnasium	N/A	15,000.00	14,960.00	(40.00)
	Book Fair	14,169.78	0.00	12,247.92	12,247.92
	Bus Driver Appreciation **	N/A	0.00	160.57	160.57
Activities	Co-Curricular Activities	0.00	3,500.00	3,531.80	31.80
ivit	Dance Expense	444.77	600.00	905.92	305.92
Acti	Event Tables (10) **	N/A	0.00	1,050.00	1,050.00
p	Fall Fest	1,017.02	1,300.00	1,124.19	(175.81)
Sponsored	High Interest Day	5,145.86	4,500.00		(4,500.00)
suc	Hospitality / Staff Appreciation *	1,631.90	2,500.00	1,480.64	(1,019.36)
Spc	Kindergarten Getting to Know You	0.00	300.00	65.71	(234.29)
•,	Kindergarten T-Shirts	530.00	530.00	641.00	111.00
	Miscellaneous (Hardship Fund)	140.00	50.00	150.00	100.00
	Movie Night	70.01	50.00	321.44	271.44
	Musical	1,102.63	1,000.00	1,694.21	694.21
	Popcorn **	N/A	0.00	56.47	56.47

	Category Name	Actual	Budget	Actual YTD	Over (Under)
	Category Name	2015-2016	2016-2017	2016-2017	Budget
S	Projector/lights/DMX	0.00	500.00	542.86	42.86
vitie	Seat Sacks Expense	805.50	N/A	67.13	67.13
Activ	Sixth Grade Graduation 2017 (Incl. Legacy Gift)	5,946.03	4,325.00	468.00	(3,857.00)
Sponsored Activities	Spirit Wear	2,212.00	1,900.00	3,638.00	1,738.00
sore	Teacher / Classroom Support	N/A	1,000.00	976.20	(23.80)
uod	Video Conferences for all Grades	0.00	2,500.00	2,810.00	310.00
ls	Yearbook	300.00	200.00		(200.00)
- a ng	Box Tops for Education	35.04	0.00	8.70	8.70
Expenses - Fundraising	Elmwood Fun Run and T-Shirts	N/A	2,000.00	22,146.92	20,146.92
(pei ndr	Kwik Trip Carwash Expense	943.00	740.00	1,400.00	660.00
Eu Eu	Teacher / Kid's Raffle Expense	137.99	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Banking Fees (Net)	5.00	0.00	25.75	25.75
Other	Home & School Office Supplies	337.99	279.00	162.39	(116.61)
	Postage	N/A	0.00	33.87	33.87
	TOTAL EXPENSE	48,980.21	45,774.00	72,513.59	26,739.59
	SURPLUS (DEFICIT)	13,816.68	(14,762.00)	1,285.99	16,047.99

Service	Held Funds	Starting Bal 7/1/16	Inc / (Exp)	Balance 5/15/17
alances Funds	Artist in Residence (increased \$675 from Artome 2016) ****	4,575.00	(4,407.85)	167.15
Balan I Fune	Held Funds for 2014 Sixth Grade Legacy Gift	572.00	(572.00)	0.00
ver B Held	Held Funds for 2015 Sixth Grade Legacy Gift	630.00	(523.00)	107.00
<u> </u>	Minimum Balance required in checking ***	2,500.00	-	1,000.00
Rollo	Chess Club Balance (5/15/17)	10,789.87	719.42	11,509.29
	Total Rollover Accounts and Held Funds	19,066.87	(4,783.43)	12,783.44

SUMMARY - Funds Available to Home and School	
Checking Balance (5/15/17)	61,705.40
Less Rollover Balances and Held Funds	(12,783.44)
Less Remaining Budgeted Expenses (without projections)	(26,739.59)
Approximate Non-budgeted Funds Available (<i>without projections</i>)	22,182.37

ELMWOOD HOME AND SCHOOL FUNDRAISER NET PROCEEDS

Fundraising Event	Last Year Net Income	2016-17 Net Income
Amazon Smile (not final)	86.11	138.15
Box Tops for Education (final)	1,676.46	1,611.30
Eat and Earn - Chipotle (final)	338.53	317.80
Eat and Earn - McDonalds (final)	425.00	313.00
Elmwood Fun Run (final)	N/A	18,457.28
Kwik Trip Car Wash (final)	749.00	1,120.00
Matty's Card (not final)	6,060.00	2,154.50
Teacher/Kids Raffle (final)	1,391.61	1,808.50

* Reflects budget increase of \$1,000 approved at 11/16/16 Home and School meeting

** New line item February 2017

*** Min balance in Citizens Bank Business Advantage Plus Checking account is \$1,000 (\$15/mo maintenance fee if ave balance is under \$25,000)

**** Motion to increase allocated funds by \$1,900 was passed at 1/26/17 Home and School meeting.

ELMWOOD HOME AND SCHOOL 2017-18 BUDGET (Approved 5/16/17)

	REVENUE CATEGORIES	Budget 2017-2018
	Amazon Smile	100.00
- suc	Box Tops for Education	2,100.00
Revenue - Contributions	Eat and Earn - Buffalo Wild Wings	200.00
eve	Eat and Earn - Mod Pizza	220.00
Con	Eat and Earn - Panera	250.00
	Eat and Earn - Yo Fresh	100.00
പട	Elmwood Fun Run	38,000.00
Revenue - Fundraising	Elmwood Fun Run T-Shirt Sponsors	2,100.00
eve	Kwik Trip Car Wash	1,800.00
Ϋ́Ϋ́Ϋ́Ϋ́Ϋ́Ϋ́Ϋ́Ϋ́Ϋ́Ϋ́Ϋ́Ϋ́Ϋ́Υ	Matty's Card	2,000.00
ice	Dance Revenue	500.00
Revenue - Program Service	Fall Fest Revenue	1,000.00
m S	Incredi-Roll Revenue	150.00
gra	Movie Night Revenue	500.00
Pro	Sixth Grade Graduation	3,750.00
- ne	Spirit Wear Revenue	4,000.00
ven	Teacher/Kids Raffle	600.00
Re	Yearbook Revenue	50.00
Other	Interest Income	50.00
	TOTAL REVENUE	57,470.00

	EXPENSE CATEGORIES	Budget 2017-2018
ing	Fun Run	18,000.00
Expenses - Fundraising	Fun Run T-Shirts	2,100.00
Exp Fun	Kwik Trip Car Wash	1,000.00
	A Pawzz Positive Behavior Program	2,500.00
ង ខ្ម	** Artist in Residence **	4,000.00
Sponsored and Events	Assemblies	1,200.00
u e o	Bus Driver Appreciation	200.00
	Classroom Stipend	1,500.00
Expenses - Programs	Co-Curricular Activities	4,000.00
rogr	Co-curricular Supplies	250.00
ے ش	** Dance **	1,000.00
	** Fall Fest **	1,500.00

	EXPENSE CATEGORIES (Continued)	Budget 2017-2018
2	** High Interest Day **	7,000.00
	Hospitality / Staff Appreciation	2,200.00
	Kindergarten Getting to Know You	100.00
ven	Mascot Expense	107.00
ш́ р	Misc (Hardship Fund)	100.00
s an	Movie Night	400.00
an	Musical	1,500.00
logr	Peer Mediation	100.00
Expenses - Sponsored Programs and Events	Playworks	10,000.00
	Popcorn	150.00
	Projector/Lights/DMX Sound	500.00
	** Sixth Grade Graduation **	6,500.00
	Spirit Wear	4,000.00
	NEW! Stage Curtain and Backdrop	11,000.00
	Teacher / Kids Raffle	50.00
	Teacher / Staff Support	2,000.00
	Video Conferences for all Grades	3,100.00
Other	Home & School Office Supplies	200.00
	Postage	24.00
	TOTAL EXPENSE	86,281.00
	PROJECTED SURPLUS (DEFICIT)	(28,811.00)

over Held Ids	Held Funds	Starting Bal 7/1/17
Rollc and F Fun	Minimum Balance required in checking	1,000.00
an	Chess Club Balance (Actual amount always shown)	TBD

Prepared by: Ann M Szeflinski, Treasurer

Presented and approved at Home and School meeting: 5/16/17

In the Kindergarten Preparatory Academy the children are learning letter and letter sounds, rhyming words, counting to 30, and writing number 1-10. This week they are learning about healthy habits. The favorite center is the pretend area which is a flower shop!

Colleen Korom will be attending this month's Home and School meeting and will update what the Kindergarteners have been up to.

The first graders recently finished up a realistic fiction series in writer's workshop and are now using their "poet's eyes" to experiment with poetry. We created maps of our bedrooms, a library and a playground in social studies and are studying offspring and their parents in science. The students are really looking forward to their Fine Arts Night this week and are excited to show off their artwork, classroom work, and musical performance!

Second graders just finished up nonfiction book clubs and are now excited to read fairytales, folktales and fables. They are enjoying their measurement unit in math exploring the world around them using various tools of measurement. Second graders are also using their "poet's eyes" as they too experiment with poetry!

Thirds graders have moved into our last reading unit studying biographies. We are very excited to learn more about the famous people that we think we "know".

As readers we need to remember to *truly* know famous people we need to read biographies. We read biographies to learn who these people really were much before they became famous and also what made the person great.

Many funny fairy tale adaptations start with the author knowing and studying the original fairy tales! That is where we are now in our new writing unit "Once upon a time...Adapting and writing fairy tales" We look forward to the very exciting work of adapting our own fairy tales.

Fourth Grade: In social studies, fourth grade students are studying the Wisconsin economy. Students have been busy researching and preparing their videos and posters for the **Second Annual Elmwood Expo** (May 26 from 9:00-10:00 in the gym).

In reading, fourth graders are currently reading, writing, and learning about the different types of poems and poetic devices.

In math, students are currently studying customary and metric units of measurement.

Fifth graders in reader's workshop we are doing author studies, trying to read as many books as possible about one author. We are also writing memoir pieces for literacy. In social studies we are learning about the Civil War through engaging activities during the time period between 1860 and 1865. For math students are learning about customary and metric measurement with conversions. Our next math unit is on interpreting data.

6th Grade:

In sixth grade students are identifying social issues in their books in order to infer deeper meaning. Students are also writing persuasive essays on a topic that is important to them. In science, partnerships created an essential questions to research for their environmental science inquiry projects, after they research they are create learning objectives, a presentation and assessment to teach the class about their environmental issue! In math, students are learning to describe data sets by determining if a question is statistical, and comparing and contrasting center and variability when describing data sets. Students are also learning about how to represent the data in a variety of ways through stem-and-leaf plots, histograms, and box-and-whisker plots and solution. Fine Arts Celebration.

Physical Education:

Elmwood students have been busy in physical education class working on striking with various objects. Last week we finished our paddle/racket unit where the 5th and 6th grade students participated in a round robin paddleball tournament. This week we started our baseball unit. Students worked on batting during a home run derby and then worked out outfield strategy and base running during a kickball game. Next week we will combine the two during modified baseball games.

Band:

The sixth grade band is celebrating a very successful spring concert! The band students have come a long way in one school year. It was just this past September when they arrived in band not knowing how to put together or hold their instruments and now they're doing a great job performing music together! I wish them all the best on their future musical endeavors and I look forward to speaking to and recruiting the fifth graders as we look ahead to next year's Elmwood band!

Music:

1st and 2nd grade have been working on Fine Arts Night music. 3rd Graders have been learning about how Tempo and Dynamics are used in various songs to create expression, and are starting to play the Autoharp to various songs. 4th Graders are working on learning how to read notes on the Treble Clef and also playing the Recorders.5th Graders learned about the American Composer, Aaron Copland and his contributions to Orchestral Music. They are also starting their Guitar Unit.6th Graders have learned some songs and movements from the cultures of Israel and Japan. They are also starting on their Guitar unit.

Orchestra:

5th and 6th grade orchestras just performed their spring concert on Tuesday, May 9 along with the band and choir members. Our combined piece for orchestra was "We Will Rock You," and the orchestra members had a fun time showcasing what a big rock sound they could produce all together! Our final few weeks before the end of the school year will be spent beginning to learn to tune instruments, learning some pieces by ear, and transposing melodies into different keys. ~Ms. Jacki Thering

Art: Big shout out to Home and School, students, volunteers, supportive staff and the amazing Marina Lee for successful Artist in Residence! Big shout out to Home and School, students, volunteers, supportive staff and the amazing Marina Lee for successful Artist in Residence! Please join us on Thursday to celebrate the talent and growth of our 1st and 2nd grade during their Fine Arts Celebration.

Cindy Colden:

In the 4/5 compacted mathematics class students have been working on using the acronym, LESSMERC, to assist them in solving and communicating about mathematics. LESSMMERC started with LESSM: Labels, equation, strategy, solution, and mathematical connections. Over time, students added in ERC as they realized that Estimations, range for an answer, and check strategies helped them to communicate in highly effective ways.

In the 5/6 compacted mathematics, students are using nets, visual representation using grid paper, to represent surface area. They then use algebraic equations to communicate their work