



Home and School Meeting Minutes

January 21st, 2020

ATTENDEES:

Officers: Sara Johns, Tiffany Mercer, Andy Phillips and Meagan Sliga

Staff: Jaime Veal

Committee Liaison: Kim Jaquez

Parents: Ashley McKanry, Tracy G., Theresa Sebestyen, Kate McFarlane, Danielle Sciano, Christine Taber, Alison Giese, Kathy Barnhart, Karen Kline, Scott Klaas, Lauren Hinrichs

AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION/CONCLUSIONS
Call to order & Introductions	The meeting was called to order at 6:32 pm in the Elmwood Library
Principal/ Vice Principal's Update	<p>Jaime Veal gave an update on the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jaime reported MAP testing is just finishing up for Elmwood students. • Students and staff will be goal setting and getting ready for Forward Testing. • The Makers Journey is going to be held on Friday – this is for the 4th graders and they will discuss how they are using the Maker Space and identifying a problem and how to solve the problem. This is open to the parents to come see as well. • Jaime provided some visuals for what is proposed for phase 2 of the Maker Space which will be the Collaboration Space located next to the Maker Space. She welcomed everyone to go look into the Maker Space room. • Social Emotional Update, Elmwood is partnering with HAWS – they will come to the school and provide lessons for 5 weeks to 5th graders, then they go to 4th grade. • 2nd quarter incentive – Apawzz poster is full and each class will get a movie day. Each student will get a movie ticket and Pods will collaborate to play several movie choices and students can pick one that interests them. • Jump Into Your Future – Feb 7th, 19 career seminars are being offered. Mrs. Karolak has really taken this on and working to provide a great day for the students. • Future Me Spirit day coming up, on this day students can wear college gear or lke gear. • March 12th, 2020; 6:00-7:30pm Parent University Sessions are being offered. These sessions are open to the school district and this one will be on the topic of Anxiety, and Wade Koski will be the speaker • Jaime thanked the Staff Appreciation committee for all their work for gifts for the staff. Many staff said cookie exchange was their favorite day.
Review/Approve Minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Motioned by Danielle Sciano to approve the November 12th, 2019 Home and School Meeting Minutes, seconded by Kate McFarlane. Approved by all in the room.
Treasurer's Notes	<p>Checking account balance is at \$77,817.84 (\$13,755.26 belongs to the chess club)</p> <p>Available cash is \$59,767.40</p> <p>Andy presented current budget update for 2019-2020 school year:</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Income Section: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Fundraising: Box tops brought in \$833.60, and was only budgeted at \$250.00 ○ School Tool box – exceeded budget by almost double ○ School Store brought in \$403.00, well over the \$250.00 budgeted ○ Noodles Eat and Earn: brought in \$662.58\ • Fundraising Section: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Fun Run: Netted \$28,544.69 ○ Matty’s cards: Netted \$3,937.41, well over the \$3,000.00 budgeted ○ Football Raffle: Badger footballs raffle brought in \$740.00 • Non-Income Activities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Junior Playworks: Paid out 9/30/19 and over the \$2000.00 budget by \$298.00 • Net Zero Activities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Movie Night: this is a break-even event, brought in \$3.00 ○ Fun Run T-shirts: slightly over budget by \$292.52 ○ Book Fair: break even event, check has been cut to pay Scholastic
Request for Maker Space Funding	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We have received a request for additional funds for new tables and seating for the Maker Space. The Home and School Board is being asked for an additional \$2000.00 to make this purchase. Jaime spoke on this topic – and mentioned that this furniture offering is provided by the District. It will be best for all of our students to use. They want to make sure there is enough furniture for all classes, some classes are larger. The furniture will be flexible and mobile. It will be a design/thinking space and allow for many different configurations. It will be high quality furniture. Theresa asked if the District is also paying for a portion of this. Per Jaime, District did help pay for a portion of the Maker Space, but the District is not contributing to this portion. Kathy Barnhart asked when this will be done, per Jaime they would like to order this as soon as possible so it’s in by 2nd semester. Per Sara, we have earned beyond budget for Fun Run and we have the funds to provide. • Ashley McKanry motioned to approve the \$2,000.00, Kathy Barnhart seconded the motion. The whole room approved the vote to add \$2000.00 to the Maker Space funds.
Past Events	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Elmwood Staff Cookie Project: Kim Jaquez reported the teachers loved the Staff cookie project. More than enough cookies donated. Kate McFarlane took extra cookies to the New Berlin police station. Over 100 dozen cookies were donated. • Good Friends Assembly: Sara Johns mentioned this was held in November, it was an assembly that taught about how to be friends with children that have Autism. There were 3 different sessions broken out by grades. Each kid went home with a bookmark that touched on key points. This group is also available on-going and would be able to visit classrooms for smaller groups. Per Jaime, this was a great assembly and provided great discussions for the teachers and students. • Movie Night: Kathy Kline gave an update, there were 77 attendees, Smurfs was the movie, and we made \$3.00. Did not sell candy but did sell Fruit by the Foot, fruit snacks and popcorn. There were many younger kids, weather was bad that evening but still a good turn-out. They did not use the popcorn machine. Kathy Barnhart does recommend getting a clicker to account for attendance. Sara Johns will buy an attendance clicker.
Upcoming Events	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Skate Night: January 23, 2020 6-8pm, they have committed there will be more staff and there will not be any other groups • Eat & Earn: Panera, January 30, 2020 from 4-8:00 pm. You can order online – there is a code to give on flyer, or show our flyer. • Elmwood Raffle: February 24-28, 2020 – Theresa Sebestyen mentioned they are doing this the last week of February, will be same format as last year, each student will get 1 free ticket, and there will be raffle items from teachers, as well as some from the community. Students will be able to buy tickets all week during their lunch period. Information will go home students. The Student Leadership team will pick a

	<p>theme for the week and there will be fun spirit wear days. The Sign-up Genius will go out a few weeks before the event for volunteers to come sell tickets during lunch periods.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eat & Earn: Buffalo Wild Wings, February 26, 2020, fundraiser will run all day 11am-2:00am. Take the flyer with and remind servers to make sure we get credit. • Skate Night: March 19, 2020 from 6-8pm, No school the next day • Book Fair: March 23-27, 2020 (set up Thursday 3/19; No school on March 20th). Book Fair will be open the evening of the school Musical. • Home & School Meeting: March 24, 2020 – 6:30 pm • School Musical: March 26, 2020 at 6:30pm in the Elmwood Gym. The musical is “Mary Poppins, Jr.” Funding for the play is provided by Home and School. The Home and School Board did an executive vote to increase the budget from \$1000 to \$1200 as Miss Nehm had requested an small increase to the musical budget. There is a daytime performance as well.
<p>Committee Reports</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High Interest Day: Theresa Sebestyen reported that the committee has met and most sessions are set. There is still a need for workshop leaders. The leader would responsible for running the sessions for that day. There is still a need for a leader for Archery for smaller children and a few other workshops, these were listed in Paw Prints. Theresa would like anyone to reach out to her with questions. Alison Giese spoke on the end of the day finale for HID. Alison is looking for ideas for a finale that will be fun for the whole school. Theresa and Alison are here to request a budget increase for \$1,000 added to the HID budget. They will still be budget conscious. High Interest Day is free to all Elmwood students. The current budget is \$4500.00 and they would like it increased to \$5500.00. Tracy G motioned to increase the High Interest Day budget, Kim Jaquez seconded the motion. The room voted and all approved the increase of \$1000.00 to the HID budget. • Spring Dance: April 24th, 6:30-8:30pm held in the Elmwood Gym. Danielle Sciano is the chair-person, there was a planning meeting last week and a small group showed up. The theme is Back to the 80’s. There will be a glow dance with glow sticks etc. They will not charge an admission fee. The committee has remained the same for the last few years. They are hoping to break even or come in under budget. They have lots of fun things planned. • Spiritwear: Meagan Sliga updated that there were 2 rounds, first round sold \$4,000.00 of Spiritwear, the second round sold \$1000.00 of Spiritwear. This was our first year working with Burgardt’s Sporting Goods. All orders were filled in a timely manner, second round was delivered before the holiday break as planned. The use of online ordering and ability to pay with credit card was a nice addition as well as being able to offer nice brands such as Under Armour. We did have to pay for design fees to have a new logo created, so there was a fee taken out of our fundraising check for the design fees. Have not received any negative feedback, so most-likely will use Burghardt’s next year. The fundraising checks were cut and came with our orders at pick up, which is also a nice benefit. • Yearbook: Ashley McKanry spoke about Yearbook, they are looking for more candid pictures of 6th graders. Ashley will send out reminders in Paw Prints for what they are looking for. She also mentioned they would like candid photos from the playground and field trips. There will be a professional photographer coming the week of the play. Feb 12, 2020 will be group photo day. February 20th there will be professional photographer at school for candid pictures of students at school. • Box Tops: Christine Taber said there is another round in March, student collection will need to be submitted by the end of February and the incentive will be a pajama day. • Staff Appreciation: Kathy Barnhart mentioned that Elmwood Staff got a room service card and teachers/staff got to pick a drink and snack on the room service list and these treats were delivered to their classrooms. The staff appreciation in Spring will be camp theme. Kate McFarlane mentioned there will be a wishing pond set up and parents will be able to check out a “petal” and it will have a teacher’s wish. There will

	<p>be items listed for parents to purchase – like Kleenex, Hand Sanitizer, and there will be a choice of “other” and could be a higher ticket item. This will be similar to a giving tree. The teachers will be sent a google doc to fill in their 3 wishes. Anticipating about 40 need items. This will be set up in the office. This will be sent to every teacher/staff member in the school to fill out. In March and April they will do more staff appreciation events.</p>
Open Floor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Theresa Sebestyen asked if we were doing the Kwik Trip Car Wash Cards. Erin Ward is the chairperson and she is working on this, but no set dates yet. Kim J. will check with her again to see if there is a date.
Open Positions for 2020-2021 School Year	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Co-president and Secretary positions will be open next school year. Committee Liaison position potentially open next year Chairs for committees, example: Movie night will need a new chair Kathy Barnhart mentioned she would like to send out a meeting request for 6th Grade Completion Planning Meeting – she will forward the meeting info.
School District of New Berlin Board of Education Meeting	<p>There will be a School District of New Berlin Board of Education meeting that will be held at Elmwood on February 10th, 2020. The Elmwood Home and School Board was asked to provide dinner for the Board during their closed door meeting. Katy and Jaime will be giving a tour of the school and highlight the Maker Space. We are the first school to host this meeting.</p>
Adjourned	<p>Thesesa Sebestyen made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and Karen Kline seconded the motion. Meeting was adjourned at 7:35 pm.</p>