



# Home and School Meeting Minutes

November 18, 2014

6:30 p.m.

Elmwood Elementary School

**ATTENDEES:**

**Officers:** Molly Carroll, Alison Giese, Rachel Schaar and Colleen Tadych

**Staff:** Principal Royce Lindner and Associate Principal Jaime Veal

**Parents:** Theresa Sebestyen, Pam Breitigam, Sara Johns, Carrie Kulak, Marlo McCormick, Ann Szefflinski, Kathy Quandt and Tonia Schmeier

AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION/ CONCLUSIONS
<b>Call to order</b>	Meeting was called to order at 7:06 p.m.
<b>Review/Approve Minutes</b>	Motion by Kathy Quandt to approve September 16, 2014 Home and School Meeting Minutes; seconded by Ann Szefflinski; minutes approved.
<b>Notes from Co-Presidents Molly Carroll and Colleen Tadych</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Colleen Tadych asked those in attendance to encourage other parents that can't attend meetings to share their skills and talents with Home and School to find ways they can be involved.</li> <li>• Pam Breitigam volunteered to head Spring Dance - a Father/Son and Mother/Daughter dance (probably in April or May).</li> <li>• Colleen Tadych mentioned that the "Getting to Know Teachers and Staff Binder" is housed by the Home and School mail area and is a great resource for appreciation ideas. Alison Giese will send e-mail to those staff who didn't respond to the first request to see if they'd like to be included in the binder.</li> <li>• Colleen Tadych shared some thanks you notes to Home and School (from High Interest Day and Teacher Appreciation Day).</li> <li>• Molly Carroll encouraged attendees to bring a friend – especially since there are only four meetings each year and babysitting is now provided.</li> </ul>
<b>Treasurer's Report</b>	<p>Notable changes since our last meeting:</p> <p>REVENUE:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Home and School received income back from School Kidz (supply packs)</li> <li>• Eat and Earn is a new addition</li> <li>• Matty's has new reward program (with new app) so not sure what to expect for revenue this year.</li> <li>• Target purchases went up.</li> <li>• Entertainment Books came in as planned.</li> </ul> <p>EXPENSES:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Home and School donated \$3,500 to district for Elmwood co-curriculars.</li> <li>• Fall Fest came in over budget, but there is some leftover supplies that can be used for future (such as water can be used at Movie Night)</li> <li>• Home and School earned \$441 for Spirit Wear</li> </ul> <p>YTD (as of 11/11/14):            Revenue = \$8,819.79            Expenses = \$4,982.95            Current checking account balance = \$45,370.79            Available cash = \$22,159.36</p>
<b>Past Events</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Entertainment Books – Closed and came in around budget</li> <li>b. McDonald's Night – raised \$275</li> <li>c. Buffalo Wild Wings – raised \$150. Kathy Quandt is looking at dates for January Eat and</li> </ol>

	<p>Earn. Restaurants suggested included: Zafiro's, Culver's, Noodles, Quaker Steak and Lube, Papa Murphy's and Qdoba</p> <p>d. Fall Fest – Largest attended Fall Fest. Some changes will be looked at for next year because of the large attendance.</p> <p>e. Book Fair – It was hugely successful – most successful yet! Every teacher received \$30 of Scholastic Dollars. Every student received one free book (K-4 received a \$5 book and 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade received a \$6 book). Home and School raised \$2,500 in coin challenge! Because of that, Scholastic donated 2,500 books to children in need. Twelve Elmwood classrooms received extra money to get books and the library received \$1800 worth of new books. Home and School takes profit in Scholastic dollars and Molly Carroll is working with Royce to get all books ordered and into classrooms.</p> <p>f. All School Skate – It was well attended and there will be one more in spring.</p>
<b>Upcoming Events</b>	<p>a. Movie Night – Movie is “Mr. Peabody and Sherman” Attendees should bring sleeping bags and pillows. There will be water bottles to buy and Colleen will confirm with Anne Loomins not to buy water.</p> <p>b. Market Day – Tonia Schmeier working each month to let grade level know when profit will go to them.</p> <p>c. Shop Until You Drop – Volunteers needed for Saturday and bakers also needed.</p>
<b>Other Committee Reports</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Royce gave shout out to Sara Johns for her work on the Home and School Facebook Page and Twitter account. Sara Johns encouraged people to send her videos of activities to gain more parent interest in Facebook.</li> <li>• TerraCycle – Tonia Schmeier is coordinating the collection of Elmer's glue sticks and glue bottles (due by end of year) and tape dispensers. She is working to add writing utensils to TerraCycle. Tonia has reached out to teachers and put boxes in every classroom, in art room and by Home and School area. She also encouraged teachers to talk to students about recycling as part of collection.</li> <li>• Discussed Elmwood Today show – contact Librarian Nancy Brandt to be on show.</li> <li>• High Interest Day – Theresa Sebestyen said there are many fun workshops in the works. More volunteers will be needed in February or March.</li> </ul>
<b>Open Floor</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Kathy Quandt brought up idea of having fundraiser at Country Springs Hotel on one of Elmwood's days off from school. If anyone is interested in pursuing that opportunity, contact Home and School.</li> <li>• Kathy Quandt is looking at a Kwik Trip fundraiser (either saving bottle caps or selling car wash cards). Colleen Tadych felt the car wash card might be a good seller.</li> <li>• A parent asked about the new copier fobs that staff uses. Royce Lindner explained that it was implemented both for security of printing documents and for cutting down on copy costs. The District is giving each school an allocation of money for copies – if each school spends less, then they can keep extra money.</li> </ul>
<b>Next Meeting</b>	Tuesday, January 20 at 6:30 p.m.
<b>Adjourned</b>	A motion to adjourn was made at 7:56 p.m. by Ann Szefflinski and seconded by Kathy Quandt.

<b>Assignments:</b>		
<b>Task</b>	<b>Assigned To</b>	<b>Due Date</b>
None		