

In attendance: Katy Larson, Kate Powers, Sara Smith, Courtney Trunk, Dan Bollman, Dori Leyko, Jodi Spicer, Chuck Wilkinson, Krista Baumann, Ginger Ogilvie, Amy Refior, Karen Bonnell

**CALL TO ORDER**

Dan Bollman

**REVIEW/APPROVE AGENDA**—add Krista Baumann to talk about the Book Fair. Amy motions to approve, second by Jodi; passes.

**REVIEW/APPROVE MINUTES**—January 20, 2015. Jodi motions to approve, second by Amy; passes.

**OFFICERS' REPORTS**

Treasurer's Report

Amy Refior

- We have approx. \$32,000 in checking account. \$5500 Scholastic Dollars to spend. We received approx. \$50 from the Amazon Smile program. Received reimbursement from MSU for Math Festival.
- Request for Misc. Funds from Terry Daley for the Earth Day movie (in April) admission for 3<sup>rd</sup> graders. The field trip piggybacks on the Big Zoo Lesson focus for the year. Discussion followed:
  - Historically we have given money on a year-by-year basis for admission tickets for this field trip. Last year it was through the Teacher Supp Funding Program.
  - We give \$\$ to 4<sup>th</sup> grade to offset costs for Mackinaw trip every year.
  - We give \$3000 to principal for field trip transportation for every grade every year.
  - Can we give a bit (approx \$300) per year per grade for curriculum-related field trips? Amy will do a cash flow analysis in the next week and communicate to MPC board via email if the funds are available for this year for 3<sup>rd</sup> grade. At the March 2015 meeting we will determine if we will add this to our budget at the beginning of next year.

District Parent Council Report—check for minutes online

Emily Lilly-Lacca—not present

Principal's Report

Dori Leyko

- Regarding the Music Concert: it was cancelled because of days missed for snow/cold and block scheduling/practice, and lack of awareness regarding the date.
- February was Random Acts of Kindness month. Melissa Fore and Tali Hyland, representing Art for Charlie, brought the Kindness Cards for teachers to begin passing out to students, to be passed along as Acts of Kindness were recognized. Presented and supported this endeavor while keeping the integrity of Bucket Filler tickets.
- Feb. Winter Screening data will be presented at March MPC meeting. Overall, we have a lot of things in place for literacy but are lacking some structure and resources for math (enrichment and remediation). Teachers met as grade levels to evaluate data. Ms Leyko took a small group to ISD to look at building-wide data. This Friday all principals meet with central staff and ISD staff to look at district-wide data. Ms Leyko is going to find out more about school district data being available for parents to review.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> graders went to Hannah last week to see "Wind in the Willows" to watch a classmate perform.
- Conferences coming up. Report cards will be handed out at conferences.
- Nell Kuhnmuensch, BOE president, spent about 2.5 hours in the building last week for a tour and see how things are going at Marble.
- Feedback from Jodi re: scheduling conferences: at secondary level conference scheduling has moved to online scheduling programs. Can we do that at Marble? A bit of discussion included awareness that more teachers are using Signupgenius.com and parents want teachers to know how much they appreciate online scheduling.

## Board of Education Report

Kate Powers

- BOE president Nell K. has visited each building and brought back reports to BOE.
- AVID program
- Approval given to Rich Pugh to start the bid processes related to a district maintenance building. Funded through sinking funds, a maintenance building will be constructed on MMS property.
- Next meeting March 9 at 7PM at ELHS board room, will be a work session—no action taken, it is all discussion among board members. Business and public comment will be brief. Bulk of discussion will be next steps for Red Cedar building—what programming or educational use of the building. There is a Facilities Committee, deals primarily with structural issues of buildings; There was a sub-committee of the FC for the Red Cedar building, but it was decided that discussion should be at the full board level. If you want to give any input regarding the Red Cedar building, it is recommended you email the full board before the meeting so your comments can be incorporated into thinking and perhaps discussion.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### Wellness Committee

Ginger Ogilvie

- To celebrate Nutrition Month (March) we will have a smoothie day on Wed, March 11 (Kelly Gemmel)
- Casey Bain and Marble were in the newspaper for her efforts for alternate indoor physical activities
- Follow up on “bus walk”—sidewalk along the bus lane along Hagadorn Rd. Quote received from ABLE Concrete came in under \$3000.
- Permission not granted for a Bike Rodeo on school grounds. The Bike Rodeo was part of an action plan passed in 2013 to improve bicycle education for students. Bike Rodeos include education of bicycle rules of the road, etc. There is no policy addressing elementary bike riding to school because in December the policy that prohibited elem. students from riding bikes to school was removed. Erich Ditschmann and Meg Ackerman addressed the board regarding this; Erich was invited to meet with the Policy Committee to discuss elementary school students riding bikes to school. Erich started a “We Want to Ride Our Bikes to School” Facebook page. Kate Powers will take our discussion back to Nell (policy committee chair) and Dr. Thompson that now that there is no policy it raises more confusion.

## PREVIOUS BUSINESS

### Reading month science presentation

Karen Bonnell

- “Sisbro” cannot come this year—schedule conflict

### Stand-up desk grant

Dan Bollman

- Mary Wever at Whitehills has been working with Stacy Turk, OT for the district, for the use of stand up desks and other alternative seating for students. Stacy wrote down ideas and research, resources that would work for our students and passed these on to Ms Leyko. Ms Leyko will follow up.
- Dan is looking into a grant for this.
- Jodi mentioned that manufacturers may give samples or let us try out furniture.

## NEW BUSINESS

### Mileage Club

Amy Refior/Karen Bonnell

- Signups continue online—FOR FREE—until March 5.

### Marble Carnival – Friday, April 24, 6-8 PM

Sara Smith

- Lindsay Fast is coordinating again this year.
- Will have wristbands again good for unlimited games and 10 concession tickets.
- Silent Auction will be online the whole week of Carnival.
- Maybe a radio station to come and do Karaoke in the gym?
- Sara is charring concessions—looking for healthier options
- Could use help with the online Silent Auction if you want to help!
- Meeting Thursday, March 5 right after school for anyone wanting to help with Carnival.

## Book Fair: March 16-20, Monday is preview day, Wed. is Books & Breakfast at 7:30 AM

Need volunteers to sign up. “Under the Sea” theme. In Room 13. No backpacks allowed in the room this time.

## **PARENTS QUESTION & ANSWER**

- Katy Larson is willing to organize the book room so it can be used for more small group sessions

## **MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS**

**ADJOURN at 8:30**

### *UPCOMING EVENTS*

4<sup>th</sup> Grade Spaghetti Dinner

Half days for school conferences

Mileage Club sign up deadline

No school

MPC March meeting

Mileage Club begins

Wednesday, February 25

Wednesday, March 4; Tuesday, March 10 & Thursday, March 12

Thursday, March 5

Friday, March 13

Tuesday, March 17 at 7:00 PM in Marble Library

Monday, April 13

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