



## **CDSP General Meeting Minutes**

**35 Leroy Ave.**

**May 2, 2019**

**In attendance:** Julie Best, Sara Parent, Catherine Piorkowski, Anne Fox, Shelley Sheridan, Stacey Tie, Beth Lane, Kate Mastellone, Justine Mullin, Alex Hall, Alyson Johnson, Ann Gallagher, Mia Mihopoulos, Amy Daniels, Hallie Palen, Lori Olson, Tiffany O'Connor, Caroline Comfort, Mekhala Attonito, Jennifer Woodbury, Christi Mohr, Leila Buckjune, Michele Treacy, Shelly Skoglund, Amy Zerbe, Lisa Cerusi, Joanna Walsh, Tara Ochman, Kadi Lublin, Adrienne Kelly, Jill McCammon

Meeting called to order by Sara Parent at 9:35.

Vote to approve minutes from April 4, 2019 by Stacey Tie, seconded by Amy Daniels.

### **Co-chair Update**

- *District news:* The new superintendent, Dr Addley has been appointed. Also, the new Hindley principal Julie Droller has also been hired.
- *Budget:* There is one final date coming up. On May 13th the RTM will be voting on the education budget. All are encouraged to attend.

### **Discussion of recommendations for the 2019-2020 school year**

- Regarding communication with the Board of Education, the idea for this year is to provide feedback from CDSP regarding parent concerns and priorities prior to the beginning of the 2019-2020 school year. Some parental priorities include facilities and sports.
- At the CDSP level, there will be a transition meeting between current and upcoming elementary chairs. Other suggestions from the floor included:
  - Examining the Parent University concept
  - Examining how much programming do the PTOs need to do? Is there too much duplicate or over programming?

- Examining the cost and nutritional value of food service in the cafeteria.
- Further discussion on increasing the spending cap.

### **Approval of Executive Board Slate**

- Beth Lane presented the proposed slate and asked for nominations from the floor.
- No nominations from the floor.
- Move to approve the proposed slate by Stacey and seconded by Mia.
- Approved 18-0.

### **Community Donations**

- *YWCA donation for \$400.* Motion to approve by Alex Hall, seconded by Amy Daniels. Unanimous approval.
- *Music for Youth Donation for \$300.* Motion to approve by Stacey Tie, seconded by Tiffany O'Connor. Unanimous approval.

### **CDSP Operating Budget**

- There will be no increase in fees for the PTOs to CDSP. Motion to approve Amy Daniels, seconded by Stacey Tie. Unanimous approval.

### **School Wires**

- Tiffany and Lori explained that it is important for other PTOs to recognize that the Thriving Youth Asset Team (organized by the Community Fund) is *not* a DHS Club. They asked that Wire editors keep a look out for unclear references to this in proposed announcements.

### **School Updates**

- *Royle:* Teacher Appreciation week is next week. Royle new and old boards are working on transition.
- *Ox Ridge:* Parent/student Okay2Delay event with follow up 'brown bag' lunch discussion.
- *Tokeneke:* Teacher Appreciation week is next week. Also working on Step Up ceremony.
- *DHS:* Anxiety and mental health meeting was very successful; a link will be forwarded to CDSP members.
- *Hindley:* Working on Hindley Happening scheduled for later this month.
- *Holmes:* Slate is incomplete for next year; still working on filling it.
- *MMS:* Bookfair will be held at Barrett Bookstore. Looking for 2 vice chairs for next year's slate.

### **Officer Update**

- *Special Education:* There will be one more meeting of the subcommittee.

#### **New Business**

- Fourth grade field trip to Eli Whitney was discussed and shared. There have been previous discussions regarding the quality of field trips and this location was highly recommended.

Motion to adjourn at 10:30. Stacey Tie, first; Sara Parent, second.

Respectfully submitted by Catherine Piorkowski, Secretary.