

Sunridge Parent Council Meeting Notes
Monday, January 9, 2017

In attendance: Amber Risucci, Jana Lombardo, Shari Thierry, Jehanne Hale, Kalen Wood, Lauren Ohlsen, Sheina Curtis, Brandy Rucker, Cheryl Koskela, Heather Thurber, Carol Schoffer

Verse

Check in: Topic: Share one vision or resolution you see for our community this year.

Ideas ...

-It was suggested that some feel they would like to see middle schoolers use the library soon.

(Kalen said that this would occur soon.)

- Would like more opportunities to learn for the Sunridge staff, as well as parents and students,
- beautify the campus
- sustainable systems (for volunteers) that are appealing to others and easy to step in and contribute
- Many would like to see aftercare programs
- More classes such as piano and chess to help those parents that cannot pick up at dismissal.
- Would like to see every parent contribute to the auction in some way
- More improvement in the kitchen - more farm to table, more functional, perhaps food to sell?

Faculty Report

-Teachers felt the spiral was lovely

-They felt the winter assembly was also lovely and would like to see it more varied next year

Admin Report

-Kim John Payne will be coming Feb. 10 (lecture) and Feb.11 (workshop) with the theme of

-"How to be your best as a parent when your child is at their worst"

-At the end of January there will be a return of a well liked African American storyteller. There will be 2 assemblies for the students (younger and middle school)

-There has been an upgrading of the school safety plan. They have upgraded the telephone systems in the classroom and fixed the PA system. There are bull horns for the fields

-In the event of weather related closures, one can go to the SCOE website for school and road closures

-The subject of after care is being researched. There will be a parent survey coming out in this regard. There are complex issues to resolve. It must pay for itself. For example, often the students who need it the most come from families who cannot afford it.

Business Items

In response to the discussion of the spiral, many parents in the community found it challenging to go to 3 nights of the winter spiral

-The question was raised, Should there be a spiral for parents?

-There was much discussion about whether the parent council or the foundation should oversee the fundraising. Kalen, Laurie McKenzie, Robert Simmons will meet to discuss this further
Parent council feels they should oversee the fundraisers

- The Falling leaves festival raised a net of \$11,138
- Community Dance is March 10th from 6-8. It will most likely not include the photo booth as this was a little problematic last year. There is a caller arranged. There was talk of making sure the suggested donation is put in the bulletin beforehand so that parents can plan ahead.
- Auction Volunteers are needed. Sign up genius will be utilized to get volunteers
- Faculty lunch communication was discussed so that parents are reminded to volunteer. Discussed who should remind the parents
- April 29th Spring Fling. Perhaps food trucks and music on the campus. Not rent to pay, lots of parking

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