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Renaissance Education Alliance
Parents • Crew • Teamwork

REA Board Meeting

December 13, 2016

4:30PM

In attendance: Deborah Lemmer, Amy Stuart, Elise Bratz, Melissa England, Becca Koster and Becky Whetten.

I. Welcome

Amy called the meeting to order at 4:30 pm

II. Parent Open Forum

III. Principal's Report

III. Officer Reports

- a. President
- b. Vice President
- c. Treasurer

Melissa presented the Treasurer's Report. Challenge Day financial report was included this month; the Challenge Day PayPal deposit was made and the corresponding PayPal fees have been incurred.

d. Secretary

Becca motioned to approve the November 15, 2016 REA meeting minutes. Melissa seconded the motion. All in favor. None opposed.

IV. Committee Reports

a. Book Fair (Liaison - Elise)

Elise spoke with Ms. Diana who shared advice for next year with new librarian and book fair lead. Sold \$12K during the book fair; \$2K more than last year. Renaissance gets 25% of the money raised during the book fair that is raised specifically for the library. Students were heavily involved in

planning this year; their contributions were extremely important and continuing their involvement would be very beneficial.

b. Gear Swap (Liaison- Amy)

Becky reported that the next Gear Grabs will take place on January 11 and 18, 2017. After Winter Break, Becky will place a box in the foyer to begin collecting items for the next 2 grabs. Melissa will put an item in the newsletter this Thursday including the notice that we will expand gear grab to include skis, boots, bikes, child carriers and other items for our community.

c. Crew Parents (Liaison - Melissa)

Feedback is that the crew parent email lists are reaching the parents. The newsletter item about contacting the Crew Parent if parents are not receiving the Crew Parent emails has been successful.

d. Crew Wear (Melissa, Becca)

The new Crew Wear lead is Eva Voss. Becca Koster will be assisting in the beginning. We will be working with a new vendor. The next offering will include many voyage-approved items. Discussed logo designs for the new crew wear. Will coordinate with the new vendor. Will work to determine if we can get samples/examples for the students and parents to see before they purchase. Becca action to see if the vendor will give us free samples.

e. Family Fun Nights (Liaison - Amy)

Upcoming Family Fun Nights include:

- Rink at the Rock in Jan or Feb
- 105West Brewery – date to be determined
- Epic SkyTrek in March
- The MAC on April 3
- Mod Pizza in May
- Cold Stone Creamery or Baskin Robbins in June.

f. OLE (Liaison - Amy) Amy will follow-up with Stacy for Survey

Questions. Stacey met with Ms. Deborah and teachers to get information on needs for both teachers and students.

g. Scrip Cards (Liaison - Amy)

Lead has been busy and was unable to do the holiday card drive. She will be doing something in the spring and will still have the King Soopers scrip cards available.

h. Life is Art: Artist's Edition (Liaison- Elise)

Elise contacted Diane Sparks and Emily Musso; the leads are on target for a very successful LIA: Artist's Edition.

i. Life is Art Auction (Liaison - Elise)

Elise sent the change for teacher tickets via email. The leads received a Staples sponsorship; that sponsorship amount is not known yet. Melissa mailed invoices for 3 sponsorships. Allie said she had more invoices for

Melissa. Elise will follow-up with Allie to see if those businesses wanted to have the sponsorships for the 2016 tax year.

j. Teacher Appreciation

Lead from last year is willing to be a co-lead; REA members are thinking about a possible co-chair.

k. Showcases – lead is Debbie Duhon. Planning for Showcases will be ramping up early in the new year.

IV. Old Business

a. School Funding Priorities – School staff will let the LIA leads know school funding priorities by 2/1/17. Currently the 2-3 biggest needs are OLE, additional instructional assistants and professional development (PD) for teachers.

b. Parent Survey re: communication, fundraisers, and funding priorities
Board reviewed the existing survey; recommendations were made to make the survey more meaningful.

V. New Business

a. Allocation for Ms. Diana's going away party
Deborah made a motion allocating up to \$50 for 2 half-sheet cakes and forks for Ms. Diana's going away party. Becca seconded the motion. All in favor. None opposed.

b. Staff Recognition Budget.
Deborah motioned that we amend the \$250 Staff Recognition line item to \$1200. Elise seconded. All in favor. None opposed.

X. Adjournment

Deborah motioned that we adjourn at 6:24 pm. Amy seconded. All in favor. None opposed.