

December 12, 2017

Friends of Joe Michell School  
Leadership team meeting

Meeting called to order at 6:05pm

Attending:

Vicky Wilson  
Bobbi Byrnes  
Jennifer Jow  
Laura Lembo  
Kristin Theiss  
Mary Steeley  
Ezgi Booth  
Eric Walker  
Gina Saldahna  
Brook Witherspoon

Thankful for Education update

- Campaign earned \$6,518
- Funds to be equally divided between visual arts, performing arts and music
- Gina will keep account “open” until the end of the year in case additional donations come in.
- Overall, this fundraiser was less successful than last year.
  - More families participated, but donation amounts were lower.
  - Discussed possible reasons why fundraiser brought in less money.

Financial updates

- Fund a need
  - Athletic programs need financial support
    - Student uniforms
- Various funds on hold:
  - Kate Malson’s stipend; waiting for communication from the district regarding the amount.
  - Theatre lighting; Laura will need to discuss with Mary Fielding.
  - Gifts for custodial staff will be the same monetary breakdown as last year. Brook will donate gift certificates from the Ale House.

After-school student experience

- Discussed challenges of possible options for after school enrichment program.
  - School’s responsibility to maintain a safe environment; space issues on campus; providing quality programs that are inclusive and accessible to more students.
  - Enrichment program will stay as is through the school year
  - Discussed the potential of a “maker space.”
  - Program involving residents at Heritage Estates also discussed. Brook and Vicky will explore further.

Meeting Adjourned at 6:55pm