

Coulee Montessori

SET Meeting 9-15-16

September 15th / 5:30 PM / Northside LMC

ATTENDEES

Laura Huber, Melissa Murray, Ty Striebel, Fern Neisius, Michelle Sulentic, Rene' Jacobs, Bennett Myers, Ann Epstein, Roger Staffaroni, Tiffany Brubaker (parent) and new member Brian Merkey.

Meeting called to order at 5:44pm

AGENDA

Last Meeting Follow-up

1. Minutes approved from August SET meeting

New Business

- Discussed next weeks LaCrosse School Board meeting on Monday at 6pm at Hogan. Roger states he will be attending.
- Discussed making SET minutes public on google docs. Bennett will help Michelle get this set up.
- Approved Treasurer's report.
- Principal's Report: Discussed current numbers for Coulee Montessori. Supplies ordered for teachers. Spent about \$7500 from the CM budget with SET paying the remaining \$2500. We won a \$1000 donation from a bowling fundraiser. All Star Lanes. Discussed Box Tops and Milk Moola: NorthSide would like to divide these up, separate for each school. Since Erin Hoy is not here to represent Fundraising, discussion amongst the board members was to make collection boxes and set them up near the LMC. Also have Erin look into separating accounts. Also, NS will not be participating in fruit sale. Rene' will contact Erin Hoy and discuss all of this with her.
- District Wide Parent Meeting Rep. will be Bennett with Michelle filling in when he can't.
- Laura talked about Universal Lunch and what that means. Coulee Montessori does not qualify for this.
- Fern asks questions about Title One and how Coulee Montessori can qualify. Melissa explains how free and reduced lunch is related to Title One. Fern asks what we can do to change our qualification for next year. Suggested typing something up and putting it on the school web page or facebook to encourage all families to submit forms for free and reduced lunch. This opened up a discussion about Facebook and Fern's interest in "cleaning up" the accounts and organizing it better. Fern will put together what she has made so far and present it to the board next month.

- Melissa states she has a half time Coulee Montessori Adolescent Program Teacher. It is a limited term, half-time contract. Her name is Sabrina Strauss. She does not have Montessori background but has a strong science background.
- Enrollment in the adolescent program is steady and holding at 38. Discussed how Nine Dodge handles that many kids in the room she has.
- Ann talks about the Montessori Conference this next January 2017. Will discuss “scholarships” to offer next month and will put this on the agenda for October.
- Tshirt order forms will be handed out by the end of September.
- Laura suggests a Respectful Request Date of December 30th for a decision on the new school. Bennett and/or Roger will type a letter to the School Board and Randy Nelson. Roger will be present at the School Board meeting on Monday to bring this forward.
- Roger brings up the Luedtke Family and their loss (Adam-husband). Suggestion for a check to the family. \$50.00 check will be written and put in a card that Rene’ provided for the SET team to sign. Message sent to Becky Misch via text on Group Me and she says she will write the check and get it to Rene’ asap.
- Approved money for Nine Dodge for Smart Cycling course of \$55.00 Another message sent to Becky Misch to cut check.
- Parents ask about getting STOP signs on the corner of Rublee and Charles Streets instead of the current Yield signs. Rene’ will talk to Laura about brainstorming how to address that.

NEXT MONTH'S AGENDA

- Erin Hoy to discuss Fundraising projects. To include Box Tops, Milk Moola, Fruit Sale
- Fern to discuss and present her ideas for a revised Facebook Page for Coulee Montessori.
- Board to discuss Scholarship money for January’s Montessori Conference.
- Roger to talk about LaCrosse Board Meeting he attended