

## **Coulee Montessori SET**

April 17, 2018 / 5:30pm / Northside LMC

### **ATTENDEES**

SET Members:

Bennett Myers, Elaine Phillips, Vie Matty, Alyssa Boardman, Erin Hoy, Amanda Luedtke, Danielle Sprain, Nell Saunders-Scott

Absent: Jim Carlson, Brian Merkey, Ty Striebel, Michelle Sulentic

Principals:

Laura Huber

Absent: Melissa Murray

Teachers:

Mariah Bigelow, Niki Rislow

Bennett called the meeting to order at 5:36pm.

### **AGENDA**

Recognize Those in Attendance / Public Comment

Board Education Minute

Next year's board membership was discussed. Several people said they would remain on the board. Bennett will communicate via email with members about their preferences. Nell will post on Facebook that we will have 1 – 2 positions available.

Student Work

**Ms. Bigelow:**

- Thanked the board for the gift cards to Pizza Doctors.
- She graduates in May!
- She and Ms. Davis switched places and it went well. Nice to see her students.
- Fifth grade DARE graduation is tomorrow.
- Students are bringing nature into the classroom, studying bodies of water maps, cloud formations.

**Ms. Niki:**

- Working on kindness, filling the jar and making a wreath.
- Studying science and spring, birds, eggs and nests. She's very proud of her students writing and pictures. She thanked the board for bus money for the annual Storytelling in the Park.

## Secretary's Report

Minutes were amended to reflect that 52 Montessori families responded to the survey, not 64.

***Motion to approve minutes from March 20, 2018.***

***Bennett Myers / Danielle Sprain***

***Motion Carried***

## Principal's Report

### Ms. Huber:

- Ms. Murray will be meeting with the Supervisor of Buildings & Grounds to look at building modifications for CMAP.
- Miss Michelle has been approved to continue with Children's House through the end of the year.
- No word from Ms Renee.
- Earth Day activities on Friday.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> grade finishing Forward testing, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> will begin in the next few weeks.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> grade working on rocks and minerals and will be returning to botany studies with first and second years.
- 5<sup>th</sup> grade working on DARE essays and graduation.
- 4<sup>th</sup> grade uke club practicing to perform with musicians from Northside.
- 4<sup>th</sup> grade learning about the Driftless Region in preparation for their trip to the Driftless Region Center next week.
- Enrollment numbers are stable.

## Treasurer's Report

Vie provided a summary and noted an operating balance of \$8,203.00.

***Motion to approve treasurer's report for March 2018.***

***Bennett Myers / Amanda Luedtke***

***Motion Carried***

## Committee Reports

1. Finance: Brian is going through material, creating a budget spreadsheet. This will be on next month's agenda.
2. Fundraising: Kwik Trip and additional types of scrips were discussed. Other fundraising ideas were also mentioned.
3. Outreach: Ms. Huber mentioned an electric sign/board to exclusively promote Montessori events/communication. Nell would like to get family email addresses so the board can contact them directly. She also suggested calling families at the beginning of the year. The committee will need another member as Michelle will not be involved. Responding to issues on Facebook and refining the policy were also discussed.

4. Education: Alyssa and Jim met with Ann, discussed the next Parent Education Night in October: “Nurturing Flames of Learning”. They would like to have a date set by the May board meeting.
5. Relocation Committee: Danielle provided a summary. Ms. Huber: If approved, the 45-15 might not be implemented until 2020. The topic will be addressed again next year. Nell suggested an end-of-year communication summary to families including a paragraph from each committee.
6. District-Wide Parents: Meet next week.

Teacher appreciation week is May 7 – 11.

***Motion to approve \$100 to provide lunch for teachers.  
Bennett Myers / Nell Saunders-Scott  
Motion Carried***

Funding request for E2 Driftless Region Center trip:

***Motion to approve \$200 for E2 bus to Driftless Region.  
Bennett Myers / Amanda Luedtke  
Motion Carried***

Funding request for E1/E2 graduation:

***Motion to approve \$200 for E1/E2 graduation decorations, refreshments, and gifts.  
Bennett Myers / Nell Saunders-Scott  
Motion Carried***

### Continuing Business

None.

### New Business

Teachers will provide guidance on what they need for their classrooms.  
Bennett will look into a push button website.

***Motion to adjourn.  
Time 7:30 pm***

***Elaine Phillips / Nell Saunders-Scott  
Motion Carried***