

MAM Fund Minutes

Attendance: Tanja Price, Melanie Whitlow, Alex Ramsey, Vesla Hoeschen, Andy Larson, Meagan Schultz, Joe Di Carlo, Jason Puskar, Lai King Moy

1. Welcome
2. Approval of minutes
 - a. 4 Treasurer's report: remove follow up with Deb and just "Follow Up"
 - b. JC: 3k from family and 3k matched from JC
 - c. Approved
3. Principal's Report
 - a. MPS Central office cut % 15; expecting 5% cut for schools
 - b. Orchard trees due in 20 April (no school day)
 - c. Teacher conferences successful: high participation
4. Treasurer's Report
 - a. Mike not here, but reports that nothing out of the ordinary
5. Budget Discussion
 - a. Staff survey: on programming
 - i. most things stay the same
 - ii. Might want an extra Urban Ecology (three sessions; less than \$1K.) But also adolescents want to drop to 1
 - iii. Change Korean Drumming and African Dance line in budget to a more general category so we can allocate those funds where needed. No objections.
 - iv. Adolescents would like a Discovery world trip. Dennis Sullivan? A few years ago they wanted a Dennis Sullivan trip, which we allocated 1.5K for, but then didn't work out. Since then we've carried that allocation over.
 - v. Wonder if MAM Fund can help more with Nature's Classroom. Nobody can't go because of money. Between Fund and school, have been able to help everyone who talks to Joe in advance.
 - vi. From Primary teachers: look into training from Playworks, MKE: Andy recalls that we looked at this in the past. Tanja reports that problems from recess often come back into the classroom, and this program can help those teachers and paras doing recess do better conflict resolution. Playworks does cooperative games, trains staff, etc. Joe not sure about costs, but seems to be somewhat expensive. Altercations in general about the same level as before.
 - vii. Request costs for UEC, Discovery World and for Playworks from Joe.
 - viii. MPS finally got approval for greenhouses: have been working on this for years. Was a city code issue, because counted as a free standing building. Approved for 400 sq ft max, no connections. Some pilots at other schools, and at that point will know the cost. Need a concrete pad.
 - ix. Melanie: does Playworks have expertise on playground design, and could they consult on some of our other ideas? Joe will check.
6. Springfest
 - a. People bidding; packages up
 - b. Have 8 or 9 teacher packages, but can we do one more push before spring break? Tanja will mention tomorrow. These are among the most heavily bidder items.
 - c. Mary put up volunteer sign up genius for day of event:

- d. Andy will take them to Restaurant Depot. Check with Jill to see if she recalls a different low bid she identified last year
 - e. Website ready to go: Alex wonders about font discrepancies;
 - f. Lai King joins the meeting
 - g. Alex working on springfest slideshow
 - h. Haven't set prices for wine or gift card pulls: soon
 - i. We do need some more wine; a few more high quality bottles
 - j. Meet with Steve the Emcee to touch base: give him talking points?
 - k. Alex still working on how much money per child and per grade level
7. Simple supper
- a. May 22: confirmed
 - b. Breakfast for dinner
8. Next meeting: April 16