Skyview Home & School Mtg October 4, 2022

Attendees:

Lauren Pires, Angela Pushman, Holly, Eryn Jackson, Nicole Rittenhouse, Natalie Lui, Samantha Johnson, Ryan, Holly Carroll, Julie, Lauren Pires, Jen Zavertnik, Jessica Celestin, Kelly Reed, Gina Stover, Leslie Slingsby, Carolyn Maniscalco, Nma Emeh, Julie DiDonato, Jodi Howe, Bryna VanBlargan

Principal's Report: Nicole Berical

Thank you for attending. Thank you for attending Back to School Night. It was well attended. The goal was to see parents in the building, have parents become more familiar with their children's schedule, meet the teachers, help build a positive community.

Mrs. Berical is seeing great collaborative work in the classroom.

We could use more help with lunch duty volunteers about 10 minutes prior to the start of the lunchtime. There is some running behavior with the students and they've been rushing to get there because lunch lines are long. The lines are long because 6th grade ID badges aren't working (new ones are coming) and 5th graders are taking time to decide on their choices.

Benchmark testing was completed. Question was when can the results be communicated and Mrs. Berical said they should be available now.

Field trips are back! Mrs. Berical is working on multiple field trip opportunities for each grade.

Question from Lauren Pires on when 6th graders can sit together at lunch. Mrs. Berical said there has been discussion in the classrooms with the students and there has been instruction on things students need to be doing to earn that (listening to adult requests, not getting too loud in the cafeteria, etc.).

Question from Jen Zavertnik on offering overnight Outdoor Ed to 6th grade since their experience was cut short. Options will be considered.

President's/ Vice President's Report: Lauren Pires, Nicole Rittenhouse, Larcena Johnson

We are seeing more Konstella registration but not enough. Can the homeroom leads have their teachers push out a letter to class parents? Carolyn will share Konstella template with Mrs. Berical before sharing to homeroom leads and teachers.

Larcena – We are getting lunch duty volunteers but some people do not have their clearances. You must have your clearances to be allowed into the building to help. Please just double check you have them so you don't get turned away.

Be on the lookout for Skyview Strong sign-ups.

Can we discuss dates for Career Day and Give Science a Try?

Update from Fall Social Chair, Eryn Jackson.

234 people pre-registered. Hoping to see even more at the event.

Treasurer's Report

Anyone who can't make the rain date for the Fall Social, please let us know

We made over \$1,000 from Spirit Wear at Back to School Night.

Home & School mini grants are ready for submission: \$25-\$500 requests. Send to school principal, then they go to H&S presidents, then requests are voted on for approval.

Old Business

Status of last year's yearbooks – expected to be delivered 10/15. Nicole Rittenhouse will work with last year's yearbook chair to distribute. Will work with Mrs. Berical to capture the now-Arcola students.

We are still in need of a Yearbook Chair for this school year. And photographers are welcome as well.

Sensory Room decoration update: Gina Stover spoke to one of the high school art teachers and they're going to push the project out to the art students for a mural (for credit). The Woodland art teacher said the district art teachers have to do a spring project and this might make for a good one. She's going to approach the head of the district art dept to see if they can combine their efforts for this project.

"Recess Fun" update: Classroom teachers can request mini-grants for extra recess activities and games.

Class Parties: 2 volunteers per party. Carolyn asked if the co-homeroom leads could take turns as lead volunteer and then open it up to class parents as the other volunteer to give the most parents a chance to come into the parties. Homeroom leads to coordinate crafts and games and get approval from teacher to make sure it is appropriate (ability for ALL students to participate).

Skyview Strong Fundraiser update: Kicks off October 6th. Flyer going out with details and instructions on how to sign up. Total school goal is \$20,000.

Same web site as last year. If you already registered your child in a previous year, you just have to log in and your child's page will be there from last year. You can update a photo.

Give Science A Try: need a chairperson. Considering February.

Skyview Fun Day: Will determine date later in the year. Jen Zavertnik (chairperson) asked if we can get this date secured sooner than later so we don't lose out on some good vendors.

Dining Out Events: Chick Fil a – 11/17, Panera 2/10; PJ Whelan's 3/29

MCC Update: Angela Cushman

Currently migrating the district's Lobby Guard system in 6 buildings over to the Raptor Technologies system that will enable us to better utilize the system for both visitor management and volunteer management.

Each H&S can carry over 50% of their budget. First quarter reports due 10/15/22. Angela Steele will most likely set up a google drive for all H&S treasurers to drop their reports in. Stay tuned. She will email how to submit.

Chrissy, MCC Secretary can help with Konstella. MCC is considering options for Konstella alternatives. Asking H&S boards to come to next MCC mtg with ideas for Konstella alternatives.

Bus driver Appreciation Breakfast is Skyview this year.

MCC is having a Bylaw review committee.

Canva is up and running for all H&S boards to use.

Next Mtg – 11/15 at Eagleville Elementary School and via Zoom.

SEA Update: Jodi Kohar

We have been enjoying participating in the Back to School Nights in person this year and speaking to our parents/caregivers. To date, representatives of the SEA have attended BTSN at 6 out of 7 of our schools. We look forward to Arrowhead's on Oct. 12.

Thursday, October 20, 2022_- 7:30 p.m. Join us for Methacton's First <u>Virtual</u> Back to School Night for Special Education. The flyer has been shared via Mail Chimp to our email distribution list. We have also sent it to H & S representatives to share both on Konstella and Facebook pages. All Methacton parents/caregivers and staff are welcome. Please be sure to register at the link to receive the Zoom link. https://forms.gle/eW5wJGEZNQn8Sj4WA.

Thursday, November 17, 2022 - The 10 Myths You Need to Know About Inclusion and the Law presented by Patrick G. Radel, Esq., Getnick Livingston Atkinson & Priore, LLP from Utica, New York. Mr. Radel is a Special Education Attorney and parent of child with a disability.

December Social Outing, Variety's Holiday Lane – Details will follow on an organized group outing.

Mark your calendars for this year's Special Education workshops on various topics.

Details on topics will follow. (Thursdays, Dates subject to change depending on availability of presenters and District events)

January 19, 2023

February 16, 2023

March 16, 2023

April 20, 2023

May 18, 2023

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