**Arcola Monthly Home and School Meeting**

**1/9/25 held via Zoom**

**7PM**

**Attendees**: *Larcena Johnson, Lauren Pires, John Ewerth, Gina Stover, Mandy Notaristefano, Jodi Kohar, Theresa Manzi*

Meeting opened at 7:03PM By Larcena Johnson

**1). Principal’s Report** (provided by Mr. Ewerth)

* Last day of school before break went great- was glad to bring back the Grinch and Great Grape Grab back to Arcola.
* MLK Day of Service- Sock Rollups. Many donations have been coming in. Students will be able to help at Arocla on MLK Day.
* Schedule change after start of new quarter- new Homeroom component instead of 1st period being longer. Therefore students can be with a team teacher and get things done like field trip forms etc. Students will see this shift on 1/27 and will be on PowerSchool. Everything else stays the same.
* Winter Dance and 8th Grade social feedback to be provided later in the meeting.

**2). SEA Update** (provided by Jodi Kohar)

* SEA Webinar-Navigating Cyber Security to be held on January 16th
* Next H&S Meeting on 1/22
* 1st Bocce game was today the next one will be on 1/16
* Special Olympics- @ Spring Ford will occur on May 8th
* Variety Holiday Lane-participated on 12/5-12/7
* Kendra Scott fundraiser was on 12/15-$936 raised

**3). President’s Report** (provided by Larcena)

* Winter Dance- thanks for Lauren and NIcole for chairing, board and all volunteers. Kids had fun. DJ was great.
* Post Prom-quickly approaching- 90s girl groups. Need volunteers
* STEM event in March- H&S caters for staff and volunteers. Need volunteers to help set up. 2 hour commitment

**4). Winter Dance & 8th Grade Social Updates** (provided by Lauren Pires)

* Mr. Ewerth thought it was great to see so many parent volunteers, students had fun, DJ was great
* Ways to improve to drop off/pick up. Traffic trouble with drop off. Parents pulled up into the driveway and students walked across the road. Don’t want students walking in front of moving vehicles.
* Dismissal took about 9:50- took a long time. District conversations on how to streamline that. Campus problem vs event problem. 7th Grade out one entrance and 8th Grade another entrance as a possible solution. More parent help at dismissal may be needed. Overall a great event and happy with how it went.
* Lauren to upload flyers and receipts into Google Drive for next year’s chairs.
* Betty Nascimento has resigned as Co-Chair for 8th Grade Social. Brooke and Lauren still chairing with Nicole Rittenhouse stepping up to help. Additional volunteers can sign up on Konstella.
* Discussion about who to use as the DJ. Mr. Ewerth explained he liked Trent from Winter Social since he responded well to feedback of when the energy needed to come down etc.
* Any feedback or suggestions about 8th Grade Social reach out to Lauren.

**3). Secretary’s Report** (Theresa & Kelleigh)

* Approval of December Minutes. Theresa still needs to get credentials to post onto website

**4). Treasurer’s Report** (Gina)

* $8,320 made from the Winter Social
* No Frills has raised $140-continue to push out on newsletter
* Still need to raise additional funds to carry over into the next school year. Conversation about 8th Grade Social and if typically raises funds.
* New electronic reimbursement form has been created. Needs posted to Konstella.

**5).Closing**- Meeting was adjourned at 7:34 PM by Larcena. Next meeting will be held on Zoom on February 6th at 7PM.