Family Center PTO Meeting - Wednesday, January 17, 2018

Attendees: Nicole Loiterstein, Michelle Snyder, Kary Spiegel, Jennifer Berends, Liz Florick, Lily Scharff, Debbie Reilly, Julie Gullickson, Chrissie Wojciechowski and Kami Waldman

Opening + Welcome (Nicole Loiterstein): End of Semester letter went out. Committee heads to think of people that have helped support them throughout the year for the End of School Year letter.

Treasurer's Report (Jen Berends): Nature Trail Event collected \$1200. Class picture fund raiser collected \$1,100. A few more checks still to be deposited for class pictures. Art to Remember raised \$1,000 although not fully wrapped up completely.

Wine and Dream (Jessica Graetz): March 8th date has been secured for this parents only event. Event scheduled between 7-9pm at Parker's Table. Tickets will be available for purchase ahead of time or at the door. Part of the event will include a raffle. A new Wine and Dream Chair is needed for next year.

Teacher Appreciation (Kami Waldman): Next teacher appreciation event will be on February 16, on the early release day. The committee will be providing a Yogurt Parfait Bar. Suggestion was made to add K cups to the list of items for the teacher appreciation events.

Moms' Night Out (Liz Florek): The date has been confirmed for May 10th and will be hosted at Laura Deutsch's house. Silent auction items needed.

Community Outreach (Lily Scharff): Oatmeal Drive for Operation Food Search is the next big event. It was start on Feb. 5 and last for 2 weeks. This year the goal is 3,500 packets. Opera ration to drop off barrels. Email to be sent out to room parents to organize collecting money for purchasing oatmeal at discount bulk stores, ie. Sams or Costco. In celebration of the Oatmeal Drive a pajama day is scheduled for Feb. 15 and Feb. 16.

Director's Report (Debbie Reilly): Summer camp brochures are out at the front desk. Next year enrollment forms are also out. Current family applications are due Feb. 16. Enrollment is projected to grow. No open house is scheduled but private tours are available upon request. Grant money for the playground will be used to replace the swing structure, climbing dome and balance beam. Work to begin either spring or summer 2018. Kindergarten on the Horizon is schedule for Monday, February 26th 7-8pm at the lower level of Gay Avenue campus.

Parents as Teachers (Debbie Reilly): Currently 260 families are enrolled. 36 of the families are new this year. 413 family visits have been made. Messy Play is scheduled for Saturday, January 20th at 9:30-11am.

Additional Information (Chrissie Wojciechowski): Speaker Series, lecture on navigating online bullying by Julie Jones, January 25th. Event is free but reservations are requested. Jani is hosting another parents class to be held on Thursday mornings. First class is scheduled for January 26th.

Closing (Nicole Loiterstein): Next PTO meeting scheduled for February 21st.