

Alliance Charter Elementary Council
Board Meeting
August 16, 2017

Present: Diane L*, Rhonda R*, Christina J.*, Deanna S.*, Jill M*, Kelly E*, Julie G*, Kylie S*, Dave Martin, Erica O*, Sarah R*, Becky, Amy, Arun, Sonal, Priya, Amber, Mindy, Shari, Dean (* indicates voting member)

Meeting called to order at 6:30 pm.

Julie Gerstle, Chairperson of the Board, reviewed the role of the ACEC Board and its key activities to support the mission, and the Meeting Procedures and Ground Rules. The role of the Board is to ensure the MISSION of the school is fulfilled; all decisions should be guided by the mission and vision, not individual preferences.

Principal's Report

- 1) There is going to be an Ice Cream Social at the Open House on 8/30. This is a joint fundraiser for Roosevelt and Alliance. Parents can donate ice cream or volunteer at the event (SignupGenius).
A Parent Social will be on the first day of school in the back parking lot with coffee and donuts.
- 2) This year, the student enrichment theme is STEM. Professor Gizmo will be at the school on 1/09 and a Science Fair on 2/09. The cost to Alliance for Professor Gizmo is \$325.
- 3) A Math Make and Take is planned for 10/10 from 4:30-6:30. Four food trucks will be at the school as well.
- 4) A Literacy Night will be on 3/06.

Update on Bottle Filling Station: We need to sell 500 water bottles to get the Brita filling station, which NJSD will install. The plan is to pre-sell the bottles, which will take an estimated 2 weeks to come in after placing the order with the company. There are 2 styles of bottles; both are red, feature the Neenah Rockets logo, and are \$10 each. Order forms will be at the Open House; the date to return the forms is 9/15.

Future meetings will be on the second Tuesday of the Month, except for October, which will be 10/17. The meeting will start with jointly Roosevelt's PTO, then the ACEC meeting will follow. The September meeting will be at 6:30, and the October meeting will be at 3:15, and alternating times for the balance of the year. The location of the meeting was moved from the Multi-Purpose Room to Mrs. Rossing's room. The meeting dates and times are on the website, and reminders will be in Mrs. Luft's weekly newsletter.

Treasurer's Report: brief overview of the approved budget.

Team Reports

- 1) Fundraising: Christina Jungwirth presented the fundraisers for the year, which will be voted on at the September meeting.
 - a. Walk-a-Thon: Friday, September 22 from 9-10:30 (rain date 9/28), A Signupgenius for bagels and fruit will be going out,
 - b. Glow Run: Friday, October 6 starting at 6 pm. Dean (?) is the Event Coordinator; he is looking for a volunteer(s) to coordinate food the night of, as well as a PA system. There will be a table at the Open House with registration info, which will be available online as well.
 - c. ButterBraids: November TBD. Lisa Posegate will chair.
 - d. Knowledge-a-Thon: Friday, March 16. Erika Otto will chair.

- e. Other event fundraisers were proposed, including Marco's Pizza, Funset Boulevard or Skyzone, LuLaRoe and the Scholastic Book Fair, as well as ongoing ones such as Scrip and Box Tops.
- 2) Volunteer/Education: Kylie Sieck and Dave Martin presented their ideas for recruiting volunteers at the Open House. They developed a sheet with all the volunteer opportunities at the school, as well as the associated duties and time commitment. The Parent Reps will be in the classroom to help with sign-up, either for a generic reminder or for specific commitments.
- 3) Charter Renewal: A small team, consisting of Mrs. Luft, Julie Gerstle, Sarah Rivet, Kylie Sieck, Mrs. Rossing and Mrs. Standorf, will review the Charter for any changes that need to be made. The Charter needs to be approved by the NJSD Board by 11/30/17. The plan is to present to the NJSD Board on 11/07, for its approval on 11/21.
- (4) Teacher Recruitment: There is the possibility of a retirement this year. Mrs. Luft explained the hiring process.

Open Forum

~Amy suggested starting service/philanthropy projects for the students outside of school hours, such as making cards for veterans in November.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 pm.