

ACEC Board Meeting  
November 22, 2021  
Start Time: 7:07

Board Members Present: Erika G, Liz B, Shari H, Nicole V, Kristi C, Jill M, Ashley B, Erica C, Deanna S, Chris J

Others Attending: Emily, Diana H, Mary Beth H, Nate D, Dhoulat N, Gina C, Becky A, Mindy G, Thomas

Welcome (Gregorius):

- Minutes approved from the October ACEC meeting
  - Approved by: Jill M, Erika G, Deanna S, Nicole V, Erica C, Liz B, Shari H

Principal's Report (Bath):

- Gratitude for Thanksgiving: grateful for parents and staff and the kids in our school
  - Thanks for sharing your babies with us

Teacher Report (Cates, Standorf):

- There is no wait list in any of our classrooms (except kindergarten)
  - Kids can start at any point during the school year
  - Parent rep lists would be updated by the teachers
    - Parent rep responsibilities (that aren't specified in [bylaws](#)): setting up a mat washing schedule, include teachers in their email correspondence to families
- Exchange students came to present to our classrooms which was really informative and interesting
- Diwali presentation by the Patel family and that carried over into a Diwali lesson in their music class
- Grades 1/2/3 had a Day of the Dead presentation
- Veterans Day presentation
  - Mrs K set up a zoom meeting with 3 women who are serving our country; a very engaging presentation
- Different biomes discussed using Denali National Park link
- Monopoly Monday in Mrs Cates's room today

Treasurer's Report (Gregorius):

- Fundraiser update (Gregorius): \$7500 was our goal; we raised \$6787
  - Tomorrow fund link will continue to be open
  - Scrip will be restarted
  - Possibly do a fun spring fundraiser to raise the remaining amount

### Music Option Voting:

- 3 Music Options
  - Option 1: continue keyboards as it was previous to COVID-19 changes (all year)
  - Option 2: hybrid program includes singing, music games, movement, and classroom instruments (including ukuleles)
    - Mrs Allen received a \$500 grant to pay for the ukuleles, Mrs Allen would need an additional \$1200 additional (on the high end)
    - The ongoing maintenance cost for the ukuleles would be minimal (also, it would be less than \$50 to replace them if necessary)
  - Option 3: same as option 2 but does not include ukuleles
- \$6000 total cost for all of the keyboard costs (does not include stands and benches)
- Ukes would not be taken home, kids wouldn't have to buy a book, would play them together as a class
- Motion (Erika) : Are we going to continue the keyboarding program as it is stated in the charter? Seconded by Shari
  - Nay vote by Kristi C, Chris J, Erika G, Erica C, Jill M, Deanna S, Shari H, Nicole V, Liz B
- Motion (Liz): Motion to approve the purchase of ukuleles in 2021, seconded by Shari
  - Approved by: Erica C, Kristi C, Erika G, Deanna S, Jill M, Shari H, Nicole V, Chris J
  - Against: Liz B
- Motion to disclude keyboards from the hybrid program (Gina), seconded by Erika
  - Approved by Erica C, Nicole V, Erika G, Chris J, Deanna S, Kristi C, Jill M, Shari H
  - Against: Liz B
  - Discussion: Is it fiscally responsible to spend \$6000 on keyboards for 3 months?, will we get volunteers if we aren't stating that the keyboarding program will not continue?
- Will Mrs Allen need parent volunteers for option 2?
  - No; parents are more than welcome to volunteer during music class if they would like but it is not necessary

### Open Forum:

- Volunteers to the school can include grandparents, other family members
  - Parent volunteers are not a requirement but it would be helpful to include the need for volunteers during the parent info meeting that takes place in January/February
    - Helpful to include the during the parent info meeting that takes place in January/February
    - Should also send the [parent handbook](#) to families this year via STAR report and our Facebook page
  - Nicole will be sending out a flyer regarding the need for parent volunteers

- We need more volunteers in the classroom
  - Gina: The in and out of parents depends on the classroom/teacher - what each teacher wants from their parent volunteers will differ
- Thank you to all the parents who show up to the meetings

Motion to adjourn by Erika, seconded by Shari  
Meeting ended at 8:11