Ames Pta Meeting January 11, 2019

Call to Order 8:31am

- I. Teacher Report- (no teacher in attendance) Patty Prodanich wanted to share a letter of thanks to the pta for setting up the Alan Silberberg event and books, etc.
- II. Principal and Officer Reports
 - A. Principal Mr Gierman-
 - 1. Thank you for the cookie exchange during holiday. Teachers and staff were very appreciative.
 - 2. Junior Great Books has started.
 - 3. Raptor is the system that we will be using to background check adults coming into the building. We are testing it out on JR great books volunteers and will hopefully be using it going forward.
 - 4. Architect plans for new addition. 4 plans will be presented to the Facilities Advisory Committee. They will be shared with board and committee on Jan 16th. Board will recommend their choice and will accept feedback.
 - 5. Green space isn't usable during wet weather. Ground is too muddy.
 - 6. Intruder alert drill will be coming up.
 - 7. Bicycle safety will be taught by Riverside PD.
 - 8. Mouse issue....being addressed. Traps are out, nothing caught yet.
 - B. President Report- Domenica
 - 1. Board Openings- we are looking for a co-president for next year.
 - 2. We will be decorating for PARCC testing--- now called "IAR" Illinois Assessment of Readiness
 - C. Secretary- Patty.
 - 1. Approve minutes from 12/7 Kelly, Susan
 - D. Treasurer- Kelly Tabb (nothing to report)
 - E. VP Cultural Arts and Educational Programs- Jen Butler
 - 1. Science Fair workshops will start Feb 12th from 3-3:45. Ms Allen will be leading fair and students must attend all 3 wednedays in a row.
 - 2. Family Heritage Night will be Thursday May 2nd.
 - F. VP Fundraising and Events-Deb Kummer
 - 1. Fun Lunch Dates are: 2/8, 2/22, 3/8, 3/22, 4/12, 4/26. It will be alternating Pizza and Chicken Tenders
 - 2. Ames Eats fundraisers: 2/12 City BBQ, 3/10 Chew Chew, the rest of dates are still TBD
 - 3. Flipside is 2/8 for 3-5th, and 2/22 for k-2nd
 - G. VP in school volunteers- Dana Frank- Holiday party receipts for class parties should be turned in so you can be reimbursed.

III. Committee Reports

- A. Artist in Residence- Kim Marrero...still working on details
- B. Brick Pavers- Dawn Eagleson
- C. Family Dance is Jan 25th

- D. Random acts of Kindess/Kindness week- Carrie Zalewski....still working on details
- E. Box Tops- Aisha Iliac- box tops must be in by end of February in order for us to get reimbursed this school year. There will be a push to get them turned in with an incentive to winning class.
- IV. New Business (none)
- V. Adjourn 9:41

Attendance:

Domenica Jimenez, Jennifer Butler, Lauren Kaltz, Louisa Fitzgerald, Kris McCormack, Scott Collins, Suzanne Muirhead, Susan Wolfe, Kelly Tabb, Patty Romero, Emilia Kowalski, Aisha Iliac, Dawn Eagleson