

12.05.2016

Hyde Park School General Board Meeting

1. LSDMC Candidates

We have two LSDMC candidates to be considered for election: Holly Hankinson & Jennifer Scott.

2. Budget

We have made cuts to the original PTO budget so that we now have a balanced budget. We have an increase in fundraising dollars from Kroger cards, box tops, and social parties. Read-a-thon was very successful.

Budget is proposed and approved by Marisa Rowe and Ashley Tolokonsky. There are no opposers.

3. Playground

This year's spring celebration donations will go towards the playground. We would like to form a committee to oversee the playground project. The remodeling of the playground will be done in phases over a few years. If you would like to be on the playground committee please contact Amy Dangel via email. The first quote we received for the playground was \$45,000 for one portion. Total project will be somewhere around \$100,000.

The money will be kept separate from regular expenditures. We also have the money from last year's Spring Celebration.

4. Upcoming events

Winter break, Swim Party January 22nd, Crayons to Computers is coming up in February (date TBD), Movie Night in February, Daddy Daughter Dance, December 7th Magic Tree House at 7 in gym \$5 each.

Mr. Barry is retiring in December. We are getting some gifts together for him.

5. CGA news, Ms. Amat

We new the school would be successful but we didn't know that enrollment would grow so rapidly. LSDMC has been looking at options to accommodate all of our new students. The district gave us an option of moving CGA to a new school but we opposed that. We will be shrinking the size of the gifted school and in a few years will no longer need the bank space.

Next year there will be a third CGA opening in the Walnut Hills area. Currently we are at three classrooms per grade for neighborhood. Parents have the option to send their students to the new CGA site at the Spencer Center. Nothing will change for current students.

Next year we will implement integrated homeroom classes for neighborhood and CGA students. CGA students will then go to whichever level they need to go to for gifted classes. CGA students will no longer be separated from the rest of the school; they will be tracked in classes. This will only apply to incoming students next year into third grade. We have requested an additional floating gifted teacher.

There is a lottery for about ten seats at the gifted school.

Various questions and answers about the new CGA and our new program and the lottery.

6. Maintenance

The gym ceiling will be fixed over the Holiday break.