

Monona Grove Nursery School
Board of Directors Meeting
Monday, January 11, 2021
7:00pm

*** Due to social distancing requirements, this meeting was conducted virtually via Zoom.*

In attendance: Kate Brown, Sue Carr, Kathryn Mingione, Stacey Neuman, Meaghan Cibarich, Juli Huston, Dawn Van Horn, Jodi Schmitt, Amanda Rudningen, Lynn Witte, Nicole Blattner, Sarah Hackett, Danielle Goldsmith, Zachary Barber, Sarah Koczyk, Aimee Wendt

1. Call to Order

- a. President Mingione called the meeting to order @ 7:04 pm

2. Routine Business

- a. Approval of Minutes from December Meeting
 - i. Kathryn Mingione made a motion to approve the December meeting minutes with a date change at the top of the minutes (The information at the top incorrectly has the November meeting date. It should be changed to the December meeting date). Nicole Blattner seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- b. Report from the School Director
 - i. Sue shared she will be having a meeting with Lex to talk about the logistics of sharing space with the other private school in the building. Issues to discuss will include: noise in the hallway, sharing fellowship hall and the kitchen, mask wearing, etc.
 - ii. Sue shared results from the parent survey regarding opening.
 - iii. Staff Vaccinations.
 - 1. Sue shared the following information regarding staff vaccinations:
 - 2. At the time of this meeting staff is in the 1B tier. Vaccinations are currently being administered to those in tier 1A. Sue will be asked to report her staff eligible for a vaccine and then the distribution will be randomized. There is not yet a timeline.
 - 3. Sue notified the board that she recently attended training about the legal issues surrounding vaccination requirements and sharing staff vaccination information. The board will need to discuss how to handle those topics.
 - 4. Sue also shared an update on enrollment and the virtual open house.
- c. Financials
 - i. We recently received around \$1600 in donations.
 - ii. Amanda shared that she added a separate category for cleaning supplies so it would be easier to track those expenses given the potential for an increase in those supplies.
 - iii. Amanda also shared we may be eligible for another PPP loan. We could

apply again through our financial institution.

3. Roundtable Check-In

- a. Kathryn Mingione (president):
 - i. Kathryn shared a reminder of an adult yoga class with Megan to be held 1.12.21 at 7:30pm.
 - ii. In the absence of an event coordinator, Kathryn and Sue will be organizing the spring fling. They have already booked David Landau for a performance.
- b. Danielle Goldsmith & Aimme Wendt (Fundraising Updates): Fired Up, Silent Auction, Spring Fundraising Update
 - i. Fired Up--We made \$70 from the Fired Up fundraiser.
 - ii. Spring Fling--Danielle reminded board members that we are starting to collect donations for the Spring Fling silent auction.
 - iii. Dinner nights--We are looking at doing share nights at the following restaurants: Mod Pizza, Noodles, Chipotle.
- c. Nicole Blattner (Advertising):
 - i. Nicole shared an update about the Yard Sign Extravaganza. It will be starting this Friday, 1.15.21. Families who post a picture with the #joinmgns will be entered into a raffle. The prize will be handed out at the end of February.

4. Items for Discussion

- a. Marketing Push (Social Media, Board Member highlights, etc.)
 - i. Nicole shared the following updates:
 - 1. An advertisement went out in the Herald. Starting a push for enrolling in February. Board member spotlights are being shared on social media. Nicole reminded us to share those posts onto our own page as well as commenting and liking the posts. Open ended questions will get people to comment and like more.
 - ii. Nicole is also working with Hulafrog on advertising options. Hulafrog is currently having a favorite preschool contest so we can vote for MGNS.
- b. Social Justice & Anti-Racist Work Check
 - 1. Kathryn shared some information about Nehemiah's work and possibly joining their African-American history course or reaching out to do work with them.

5. Items Up for Possible Vote

- a. None at this time

6. Adjournment

- a. President Mingione adjourned the meeting at 7:52 pm.