

MGNS Board Meeting 8/21/23

1. Call to order: 7:02pm Meeting called to order by Kathryn

a. Sign and return Code of Ethics & Duty of Confidentiality forms (For those still needed)

Attendance : Sue Carr (Teacher) , Juli Huston (teacher) , Jodi Schmitt (Teacher) Kathryn Mingione (President) , Claire Shurtz (Fundraising Coordinator) , Maria Keegan (Advertising coordinator), Robin Smekal (Volunteer Coordinator) , Nicole Smialek (Events Coordinator), Claire Huntley-Schwartz (Equipment Coordinator), Beth Kernan (Vice President), Jake Kozelek (Member at Large).

2. Routine Business

a. Beth K Motions to approve minutes, Claire Huntley-Schwartz seconds. Motion passes.

b. Report from School Director. Enrollment is looking really good, specific numbers in Director's report. Update on all numbers. Discussed Pogie the Yogi starting this fall and we'll discuss afterwards and see how it goes. Update on security doors and how Sue is working on writing a business plan around security. Kathryn moves, and Beth seconds to approve Sue having authorization to decide on purchasing a new security door. Motion approved. We received a \$1,000 donation from a former board president, Thank You!! Sue's been in touch with Everett Mitchell of Christ the Solid Rock about communication about the future of the building and the transfer. Sue has also been in touch with Lex about a few building things, such as taking over a couple old closets and a bulletin board. Sue is going to talk to the Janitor Willie about offering to hire him to replace some ceiling tiles, she will keep us posted but Jamie Kernan and Claire Huntley-Schwartz offered to help if that doesn't work out. Sue provided comparison reports on tuition rates and salaries for board to peruse.

c. Financial Reports, Brooke Logan treasurer couldn't be at meeting but provided report, Sue explained Petty Cash distribution but there were no other questions.

3. Roundtable Check-In

a. Kathryn brought up that if people in the general public ask about the future of MGNS and the building, we as board members can say something like "We are hopeful that we will be able to continue on in our current space for longer than we thought. CTSR is likely taking over ownership of the building and would be our new landlord. We are very optimistic about a long-term relationship with them."

b. Claire Shurtz (Fundraising Coordinator) Tuesday, September 26th Chocolate Shoppe on Cottage Grove Road anything after 4pm. Butter braids in September. October Culvers Dine out on October 24th, November 15th Garver Feed Mill Ians.

c. Maria said that she and Sue spoke about fall ads and putting them in neighborhood newsletters. Since we are pretty full, we will focus on more advertising during Yard Sale Extravaganza.

d. Robin Smekal Volunteer Coordinator finalized the volunteer sign-up – it will be emailed out September 2nd. If you on the board you should get it early, keep an eye out for it or email your teachers if you don't see it! As a board member being on the board counts as your volunteering, you have to sign up for parent helper days, but not volunteer duties!

e. Nicole Smialek Events Coordinator. Meet Greet and Eat – Friday October 6th, 2023. Classrooms are open, pizza for purchase, kids bring their families in. It's in person from 5pm-7pm, teachers open classrooms, courtyard and fellowship hall will be open. Last year we did suggested times to avoid over crowding, we are going to do that again this year. Two Pizza orders. Nicole is making flyers. Going to stick with Glass Nickel Cheese, Sausage, Veggie, Specialty – this year we're going to go with Cheese, Sausage, Pepperoni and Veg-Out families have the option to order whole pizzas or by the slice. We're also going to do veggie/fruit trays and chocolate milk and water. We're going to do paper forms/flyers. They will be sent out the week of September 11th – families will have 3 weeks to turn in their forms.

f. Claire Huntley-Schwartz Equipment Coordinator – updated that Sue started a google form for maintenance requests. Claire will email it out.

g. Jake Kozelek Member At Large No big updates, but willing to help out!

h. Beth Kernan Vice President – Beth will start emailing out to get this scheduled. Sue suggested something related to the social media and screen time kids are getting at home, possibly from older siblings. Sue will look into who would be a good speaker on that.

4. Items for Discussion

a. Prep items for Parent Meeting on August Tuesday 29th.

Claire Huntley-Schwartz and Claire Shurtz will volunteer to be greeters. If all board members could be present to introduce themselves that'd be great – wear MGNS t-shirts! You can go to your mailbox and get your nametag when you arrive!

b. COVID Policy – Revised family agreement and flow chart for the 2023-24 school year.

Kathryn motions to approve, with a small edit from Robin, Maria seconds. Motion passes.

c. Family Contract – regarding policies and behavior.

Beth motions to approve Family Contract with addition of Parking lot safety sentence and that whoever is signing is agreeing to communicate the rules to any other family members who will be participating with MGNS. Robin seconds it. Motion passed.

5. Potential Items up for vote

a. Approval of COVID Policy for 2023-2024

b. Approval of Family Contract – each family to sign off

c. Fundraising board position for non-enrolled family.

Special vote to allow a board member for non-enrolled family. Kathryn motions to keep Denay on the board, Beth seconds. Motion passes.

6. Adjournment -

Maria motions to adjourn, Claire seconds, motion passes. Kathryn adjourns meeting at 8:26

Next Meeting : Monday September 18th, 2023 @ 7:00pm