

## **GSF Meeting Minutes**

**9 April 2015**

**Present:** Valoree Brovelli, Kim Goodhope, Michael Mink, Tory O'Keefe, John Dasher, Karen Rusillo, Suzanne Maloney, Lisa Bordley Boland, Erica Smith, Ramina Winton, Ed Louie, Stephen Roth, Tami McCall, Keala Landry, Anna Quintero, Jennifer VanGorder, Bret Goldman

**CALL TO ORDER** - 7:09pm by Michael Mink

**February 2015 Meeting Minutes - Tory O'Keefe**

Michael Mink made a motion to approve. Kim Goodhope seconded. Motion approved.

**New Members (Tory O'Keefe) - Stephen Roth**

**2nd Grade Teachers' Presentation - Ms. Maribeth Davis, Ms. Julie Thomas, Ms. Tanya Osorio, Mr. Adam Treewater**

**Music Consultant Presentation - Mr. Stephen Duffy**

**Principal's Report - Kim Goodhope**

LCAP Plan - There was a very high turn out for the Parent/Teacher Community Workshop on March 25th at the SRHS library. Thank you to all that attended! The City provides the funding for Glenwood's Instructional Assistants: Elena McKenna (5 hours), Christina Ramos (3 hours) and Deb Freed (4 hours). The assist students who have specific needs and are considered Tier 1 or Tier 2. As a result of their help, the ability of the classroom teacher to differentiate instruction has led to the number of students needing this help to be reduced by half since the beginning of the year. This plan also talks about PE, counselors, engagement activities, and staffing. The next Workshop will be on May 4th and is an opportunity for parents to view/edit the final draft of the LCAP Plan.

4th and 5th Grade Student Training - on Tuesday, April 21st, led by Common Sense Media. They will be taught responsible use of cell phones, social media and apps. This is a follow up to the previous assembly about bullying, Simon's Hook.

Kindergarten Orientation - on May 26th for two sessions from 2-3pm and 4-5pm. More information will be out shortly.

SBAC Testing - 3rd, 4th and 5th graders will be tested throughout May. They will have intensive preparation for the test when they return from Spring Break. Check out the website for updates and testing information.

Spring Sing - on May 29 and will be a two-part show. the Kindergarteners and 1st graders are in the first group, and the 2nd through 5th graders will comprise the second group. There will be food trucks

available between the two performances, and the Book Faire will also be open until the second part begins.

Master Facilities Plan - Jill Sheehan, Len Schultz and Kim Goodhope visited the Cove School in Corte Madera to see an example of a Common Core learning place/environment. The classes are held in suites and encourage group work. The Cove School's goal is to create an environment that kids want to learn in. As of now, the Master Facilities' Plan is based on a traditional models, but the District is still compiling feedback from the communities.

Parent Input Forms on next year's placements are due on May 1st. They are available through your child's teacher and in the office. These forms are the only official way we of passing information to the classroom teacher as we go into class combinations for next year.

Molly Blauvelt's beautiful art is currently hanging in the District office.

School Pictures - Betheny Plath and Kim Goodhope are reviewing 3 new photography companies for school pictures.

Science Week - Currently being held in the MPR by the Lawrence Hall of Science. They have hands on activities, experiments and cover various themes. The Science Week was fully funded by the GSF and has had lots of positive feedback.

**Kids Thrive Solicitation Drive - John Dasher (Co-VP Fundraising)**

The Drive has raised \$169,730 YTD, representing 98% of goal. 220 families have donated. Families who hadn't donated were called.

**Scrip Program - John Dasher**

Requested a new leader to replace Megan Dasher who will be joining John next year on Kids Thrive Drive. The gift card program can be used for monthly expenses in addition to one off gifts. Therefore, there is a goal to make the Scrips gift card program part of the community's culture. In order to do this, the leaders of the program will visit schools where Scrip is already successful to learn what worked in order to bring those ideas back to Glenwood.

**"Going Gatsby" Auction - Suzanne Maloney (Co-VP Fundraising)**

Sold out event. Many thanks to all who participated. Only preliminary numbers exist. \$17k was donated in the Paddle Raise for technology.

**Community Building - Valoree Brovelli (on behalf of Co-VPs, Jo Pocock and Caroline Jensen)**

Thank you to Chairs Rachel Street and Elise Rankin for the March Teacher/Staff Appreciation Day.

Upcoming Teacher/Staff Appreciation events will include the following: breakfast the week of May 4th, a snack cart the week of May 11th, and student-made crafts the week of May 18th. Sign ups for parent volunteers will be available through Volunteer Spot after Spring Break.

Father/Daughter Dance (May 1st) and Mother/Son Fun Night (May 8th) - Karen Rusillo

The two events will be offered at no charge for further community building. The timing of the events will be from 7-10pm with snacks and desserts offered instead of dinner. Because they are being held later in the year with better weather, more outdoor activities are being planned. DJ's have been booked for both events.

**New Business - Michael Mink**

Announced that the formal nomination process for new 2015-'16 Board positions will occur prior to the vote at the June meeting. Nominations to be presented at the May meeting and elections will occur at the June meeting. The current Secretary, one Communications VP, one Community Building VP, and one School Programs VP have indicated that they do not plan to run for re-election.

Author Days - Because Nicki Richesin's daughter is graduation, a replacement lead was requested for next year.

**New Backboards - Bret Goldman**

As a PE teacher himself who has been to other campuses throughout the District, he supported PE Consultant Jim Hallroan's request for new basketball backboards, siting that the current ones are a safety issue. Kim Goodhope is looking to see if these will be funded by the District or the GSF.

**Meeting was adjourned at 8:34pm by Michael Mink.**

Submitted by Tory O'Keefe, Secretary