MLA Parent TEAM Meeting September 19, 2016

Jan Foster opened the meeting at 6:40 pm with prayer.

Present:

Jan FosterSamantha HardawayDeborah LanduytErika SedlacekKathleen BlouchAlyssa and Scott Hayles

Mel KapelsStephanie and Jerry ParkerNicci EngleKelley MaloneKensey GoschKelly Laurent

Brad and Katie Werth Judy Olson Joe and Becki Graham

Melissa Hein Johanna De Los Santos Alice Hinrichs Ann Arndt Amy Kutz Sarah Bennett Tarra McGee Mary Gene Tedford Vickie Chancellor Liz Wollberg Lori Haase **Howard Wiebe** Christi Newland Leah Lambart Allison Jeppese Susanne Wright Michael Newland Lisa Martens Nancy Maas Sara and Steve Burrell Chad Rader

Erika Sedlacek moved to approve the minutes from the April meeting. Christi Newland seconded the motion. Motion passed.

The financial report submitted by Kurt Hinrichs is attached to the minutes. Jan Foster reviewed the 2016 Treasurer's Report.

Motion passed to approve the Treasurer's Report

Lisa Martens:

- Asked for help with open houses
- Reviewed grandparents day and it was another success
- Reported that there are 25 kindergarteners enrolled for the 2016-17 school year and there are two kindergarten classes.

Liz Wollberg discussed the auction, which will be held Saturday, March 4, 2017, at Martin Luther Academy. In addition, MLA is pursuing its own auction program, rather than paying an outside company to develop the software and oversee the auction. Wollberg asked for assistance with the software, as well as committee sign ups and anyone interested in serving as committee chairs.

Action Committees

Homeroom Parents: Alice Hinrichs reported the homeroom parents are:

Kindergarten: Melissa Hayles, Katie Werth

First grade: Melissa Kapels Second grade: Erika Sedlacek Third/Fourth grade: Becki Graham Fifth/Sixth grade: Kelley Malone

Seventh/Eighth grade: Vickie Chancellor

First class party: Thursday, October 27, 2 pm (Fall Party)

Teacher birthday days - two in October, one in November. Every class will pick a theme for teacher appreciation days.

Social

Erika Sedlacek reviewed the Family Harvest Party on October 22 (6-8 pm) at St. Stephens in Liberty, MO. Sedlacek reported a glow theme, a stop-and-glow dance party. Help will be needed on snack table, and bringing snacks - peanut free - are welcome. Set up and cleanup help are needed. Electricity is available for crockpot or other items requiring electricity. No rental or other fees are required. Sedlacek requested up to \$150 for expenses.

Christi Newland moved to approve the expenses for the party, Liz Wollberg second the motion. Motion passed.

Fundraisers

Kelley Malone stated that:

- \$2,073 was raised from the book fair
- The recent Chick-Fil-A fundraiser generated \$125
- Papa Murphy's on Barry Road is next on Thursday, October 20
- Panera on December 6.
- Malone wants to do three more, starting in January, 2017

Butterbraids

Lisa Martens will oversee the Butterbraids fundraising efforts in 2016-17. The goal for each family/student to sell six (6) tubs of Butterbraids / cookie dough, as the fundraising goes towards field trip expenses. Forms are sent home after chapel on a day ahead. Butterbraids are sold during October 3-21, arrive at school November 2.

Cookie Walk

Stephanie Parker was introduced as overseeing the Cookie Walk will be on Saturday, December 3. Cookies will be brought in on Friday, December 2 for assembly in the gym. Vendors will be added to the event, at a \$25 cost, with electricity provided. Containers and plastic gloves will need to be purchased.

Principal's Report

Mrs. Arndt noted that Constitution Day was celebrated earlier this year, and chapel offerings will help support missionaries in Madagascar. Also noted that budget may be sought for a higher amount at \$38 per student towards covering field trip costs.

Fundraising/Field Trips

Jan Foster relayed that the school will be attending the symphony at a negotiated rate of just \$2/student. Mrs. Arndt is applying for a grant to costs the \$400 bus fees. Otherwise, TEAM is hoped to pass approval for the bus fees.

Northland Ballet is to perform Nutcracker on-site at Martin Luther Academy. One parent donated half the cost, Grandparents Club will cover the other \$250. Other association preschools are invited to attend, in hopes of exposure of MLA to prospective students.

Overall, \$3,400 was estimated as the cost for all the field trips and class trips. Jan Foster recapped the budgeting, costs and what was used in 2015-16, and that enrollment has increased, which has also increased the amount needed for field trips. We need to get more information and vote on final amount in the near future. Debra Landuyt moved to approve up to \$1500 for Field Trips until more information is provided. Erika Sedlacek seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Two (2) gift cards which hadn't been used in 6 years were proposed to be submitted to the 2016-17 auction. Erika Sedlacek moved to approve the cards being donated, Chad Rader seconded the motion. Motion passed. (Lands' End and Gander Mountain)

Kelley Malone introduced savings book as a fundraiser. If every student sells just one (1) at \$25 apiece, MLA will make \$1,100. The proposed timeline is to sell in January. To be voted on in November.

Other Business/New Business

Amy Kutz will be Chairing the Sprit Wear committee this year. Spirit Wear will be ordered again in October for the holidays in November.

Engle discussed upcoming volleyball home games with fan appreciation night (September 30), which can only be done with volunteers for concessions, score table and admissions. Martens informed that out of 70 students, 50 attended last year for this Fan Night.

Jan Foster closed the meeting with prayer at 7:36pm