MINUTES: FRIENDS OF GRANDVIEW [F.O.G.] GENERAL MEETING

NOVEMBER 13, 2017

The meeting was called to order by Marc Luce at 6:15pm

IN ATTENDANCE

Tom Kruger

Mary Gould Brent

Gina Londo

Donna Luce

Melanie Nyzowyj

April Lee

Shannon Krist

Amanda Gleason

Simone Eletab

Michelle Barsh

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Not applicable.

BOARD

Marc Luce, President

Heather Hackenberg, Co-Vice President, Fundraising Chair

Melissa Wiesk-Wells, Co-Vice President, Fundraising Chair

Stacy Wittscheck, Co-Treasurer

Kim Beevers, Co-Secretary

Tanya Davidson, Co-Secretary

Jamie Gleason, Public Relations, WebMaster

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Principal Michelle Barsh reminded us that conferences are coming up!

She also elaborated on some of the ways that Grandview assemblies are held: there is a monthly, teacher-run assembly that includes interactions and skits with the teachers. There is

also a dance break! These assemblies are intended to support the social-emotional explorations of the Mighty Mustang meetings, and this year's focus is a different character trait a month. (November is Kindness).

Grandview is still using the "mood meter" which help children (and teachers!) take a moment each day to evaluate their mood. These mood meters are also implemented in the skits and various activities throughout school.

A new addition this year is the position of the "Mighty Mustang of the Week!" Each week, a student will be nominated as that week's Mighty Mustang – nominations will be based on doing something that either exemplifies the emotion of the month, and/or is a kind act in the spirit of the Positivity Project. At the end of each month, the students who had been nominated for the honor for those weeks will get a chance to celebrate together with Principal Barsh and some donuts (or other special treat).

BUDGET

Treasurer Stacy Wittscheck reported:

- The cost of the Fall Festival came in at $350.00 for this year.
- There have been no deposits made for the month of October, but they are pending.
- Grandview has 30k points on Shoparoo so far, with Kindergarten in the lead. She reminded us that you do NOT have to have a child enrolled at Grandview to participate!
- There is currently about $2500.00 in the FOG account, pending deposits

VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT

FOG Co-Vice President Heather Hackenberg started off by thanking everyone for their hard work on the Fall Festival. Ideas for next year's festival were discussed, and FOG would gladly take donations of costumes and/or decorations to build up the supply stock. *For additional notes re: Fall Festival, see Open Forum below.*

The Yankee Candle fundraiser is proving to be a huge success, with almost 7k in sales. Since FOG will receive 40%, the profit will be just under $3,000.00! Don't forget that the online sales are ongoing until January1, 2018.

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

FOG President Marc Luce welcomed parents to the meeting with an around-the-room introduction session, which led into an open forum discussion. Notes from that are found in the next section.

OPEN FORUM

Spirit Wear:

- A parent (Her name is at home) suggested that we get more stylish Spirit Wear for people to buy: it would increase interest.
- Suggestion was made to sell Spirit Wear at Kindergarten Round-up and at the Back-to-School picnic.

Fall Festival:

- The use of MHS volunteers was discussed, as they often need more oversight than we can give them during events.
- Simone Eletab suggested that the FOG Board oversees the student workers as a group by implementing meetings that lead up to the event. This would increase communication and let the student volunteers know what is needed of them *before* the time of the event.

Reminders for Events and Donations

- Reminders for donations and events are getting sent out too late. FOG needs to implement information sharing in stages: two weeks ahead of, the week before, etc.

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HOLIDAY SHOP

Chair of the 2017 Holiday Shop, Amanda Gleason, updated everyone on the progress of the event:

- It will be held over 3 nights: December 5, 6, &7th.
- The first two nights will be grade-specific, and the final night will be open to all.
- Parents are highly encouraged to volunteer while they wait!
- Volunteers will be needed for all three nights. Sign up is available through Sign-Up Genius.

UPCOMING DATES

FOG Board-Only Meeting: TBD

General Meeting: TBD