Kinderhaven Parent Board Meeting

Thursday April 21st, 2016



Attendance

<u>Present:</u> Penny Robbins, Sarah Lockhart, Lisa Watters, Emily O'Brien, Lisa Lersch, Annie Lenzke, , Eva Minnig , Julie Haas, Daphne Johnson, Jessica Niemeier, Molly O'Neil <u>Absent:</u> Joe Mobile, Nicole Phelan, Diane Cooper, Katie McCarney, Chris Bjork

Chair Updates – Sarah

- Thank you everyone for all the hard work at this extremely busy time of year.
- New Parent Coffee thanks to Molly for hosting, we had a great turnout, 8-10 moms were present.
- New Board for 2016-17 is in the works and should be finalized very soon.
- Year End Board Dinner scheduled for Thursday June 2nd at Wisma in Lake Bluff.
- Art Show Grant Proposals historically we have always supplied materials for the Art Show, this year the request is for \$500 for supplies. The grant was approved by the board members present. A separate grant for Mr. Rey was also submitted to help with set-up and take down for the Art Show. The grant for \$100 was approved by the board members present.

March Meeting Notes – Lisa W.

• Meeting minutes from March 17th, 2016 were approved via email.

Director's Update – Dr. Robbins

- Thanks to the Board members for being so positive amidst all the changes that have been happening at Kinderhaven with the staffing. The teachers have been wonderful at helping out whenever we need them. We don't anticipate many changes with the staff next year, all our current staff are returning. Alison McMann has returned as a substitute teacher and we have lots of exciting new classes we will be introducing in the coming year.
- Art Show The Svigos Family historically donates the food for the show but this year our show falls on Greek Easter and they are not able to donate as much food as usual. We will solicit for some volunteers to help fill in the gaps. There will be three art tables staffed with high school volunteers as well as a face painting station. If anyone wants to come and help set-up on Saturday April 30th 10am to 12pm we would love to have you.
- An Extension Class will be offered to any enrolled Kinderhaven kids the weeks of May 23rd and May 30th. It will be held Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday of both weeks from 9am to 1pm. Ms. Faudel & Ms. Jessie with Dr. Robbins oversight will be the teachers for the class. It will be capped at 15 students. Information will be distributed in the coming weeks.

Treasurer Update – Emily

• Giving Tree – 76 RSVP's so far. Please submit your receipts as soon as you can.

Giving Tree – Annie & Julie

- We have been sending teaser emails for the raffle items, we have lots of awesome packages and live auction items.
- If anyone wants to come and set-up early, the committee will be there from 5-7pm and we would love to have you.
- At the event please help move people around the room and educate people about the raffle items available.
- We have photos of the kids again that Daphne very kindly took for us, make sure everyone sees them.
- Grandparents please make them feel welcome, this is the first time they are coming to the event.

Kindershop – Jessica

- Playdate on Friday April 22nd from 1-4pm with a donation drive. It was planned for outside but with the weather we also have the gym reserved.
- Sunday April 24th another pick-up day is scheduled.
- Volunteer requests will go out after Giving Tree.
- Yard Signs if anyone lives in a good location and is happy to have a sign in their yard please let Jessica know.
- Save all your grocery store bags, we did not keep any supplies from previous years.
- Epilepsy Foundation will be collecting any of our leftover donations. Fill-A-Heart-4-Kids will be coming at 3pm to see if there are items leftover suitable for their care packages. We have also had a request from the elementary schools in North Chicago and we have offered them the same option.
- Lake Forest Academy volunteers will help load at the Storage Center and CROYA volunteers are going to help unload at the Rec. Center. We will be using Parent Board funds to thank them with pizza etc.

Friends of LF Parks & Rec – Eva

- The Friends are giving us a \$500 donation for the Giving Tree.
- Golf Outing is scheduled for June 3rd. Two aldermen have approached the Friends to help with the anticipated golf course renovations.
- They are investigating the possibility of artificial turf for some of the fields.
- July 4th The opening act is the boy band Review, the main act is a Michael Jackson live tribute show from Las Vegas, it's a 75 minute show.

• Adding an Oktoberfest event on October 1st in Deerpath Park. The event will be from 12-10pm, \$10 admission, selling beer and food. There should be a screen to play football games and other activities.

Fundraising Update – Daphne

• UB Nails is scheduled for Thursday May 5th, right before Mothers Day.

UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES

Year End Board Dinner
New/Old Board Meeting
Kindershop
Kindershop Set-Up
Kinderhaven Art Show
The Giving Tree

Saturday, April 23rd 2016 Sunday, May 1st 2016 Friday, May 20th 2016 Saturday, May 21st 2016 **Thursday, May 26th 2016** Thursday, June 2nd 2016