

Kinderhaven Parent Board Meeting 2/12/13

Present: Sarah Lockhart, Suzanne Sands, Jane Duncan, Penny Robbins, Joe Mobile, Lindsey Ragsdale, Molly O'Neil, Debbie Silver, Jennifer Goldman, Nicole Phelan

Absent: Lisa Silvers, Julie Sakici, Julie Sommers, Emily Houlihan, Amie Marks

Winter Updates – Sarah

- Thank you for all of the hard work that everyone is doing. .
- Grant for MacDonald Montessori Training for Teachers was approved and spent.
- Registration – We are full and have wait lists for 2013/14.
- REMINDER: Please work on your **position log**, keeping notes about everything you are doing for your role so you can pass it along to the next person in that role and so we have the history.
- Google Calendar It was decided that we would create a Google calendar using our gmail account and it will be available on our website for parents. Nicole will input the volunteer information, Jennifer will input the Nutrition information and Suzanne will input general school calendar dates and Board dates.
- Shopping Night even with the low turn out we raised \$255.15 at this event. Lisa is working on a possible Mother's Day shopping event and one more Homemade Pizza Co. Night.
- **New Parent Coffee** will be April 5th at Molly's house from 9:30 – 11. More about this at our next meeting.

November Meeting Notes – no changes or questions

Director's Update--Penny

- Conference at MacDonald Montessori – It was really a great learning experience for the staff that attended. Amelia Gambetti (from Italy) got to spend some time with our staff brainstorming about improvements they could make at Kinderhaven. She said we really needed more space. They spent lots of time focusing on art, extending projects further, and documentation. The staff that went also had the opportunity to visit some museums and they brought back lots of stuff to share with the kids related to projects they've been working on in class. Teachers will be writing up their reflections to share with the board and each other. It was also a great networking opportunity.
- Registration – We are full. Visitors are still coming knowing they are only going to be put on a wait list at this point. The Rec Center staff members have begun to brainstorm about our ongoing space issue.
- Many of our teachers are in the process of furthering their education outside of the staff development we provide.

Kindershop - Nicole

- The storage unit is FULL and they will begin purging as well as trying to get an additional unit.
- Pre-sale is available on our website.

Giving Tree – Lindsey

- Invitations are being printed.
- Save the dates went out via email though some people haven't gotten them.
- A sign-up was passed around for the Board to donate alcohol for the evening. It will be available at our next meeting as well or you can contact Lindsey.

- Kelly is working on horse silhouettes with the kids for a 50/50 raffle.
- Food – Julie and Walter Sommers are donating all the food via the Food Truck used for the Purple Parent night.
- Letter about Giving Tree and why we do it is in the works.

Upcoming Important Dates MARK YOUR CALENDAR

MARCH 19th Next Kinderhaven Board Meeting 9:30 in CROYA

APRIL 27TH GIVING TREE GATHERING

MAY 18TH KINDERSHOP