

FRIENDS OF WOODS 2020
Meeting Minutes
March 11, 2020
Woods School Conference Room

Attendance: Donna Pinner, Ali Burke, FreyBrienne Ziervogel, Becki Kuchenburg, Giovanna Klauer, Tonya Hoselton, Elizabeth Wagner

Call to order & Introduction: 6:10 pm

Approval of minutes from last meeting: Ali motioned to accept minutes: Unanimous Vote yes

Reports

- **President's: Ali Burke -**
 - Woods Cares
 - Great things are happening, will donate to Love Lots, from our own community and has helped families in our school, the will come in to recognize their donation
 - Buttons for Sale \$1 for one \$2 custom one
 - Will be selling at school Play and next week during Wed.-Fri. At lunch
 - Mrs. Wagner will design buttons with students in class
 - Mad Science
 - Will try to do 2 more different ones
 - Bathroom Stalls
 - Turned out amazing! Will keep moving forward
 - The Goal is to have 2 stalls for each bathroom
 - Simple Dinner
 - \$2040
 - 50/50 winner donated back to school
 - Simple loved it, wants to do it again next year, maybe with a Band?

- **Vice President's: Donna Pinner -**
 - Will ask Alyson, during follow up meeting, about T-shirts & date for an all school picture
 - New contact at the Ridge for events. See what we can plan with them.

- **Treasurer's: Tonya Hoselton-**
 - Wave system will come out of where in the budget -“School Improvement”
 - Waiting for Ski to be paid. Waiting on Bill to be corrected.
 - Waiting for Alpine Check from the volunteers that helped at the concerts.
 - Let's get out Thank You notes to the volunteers that helped at Alpine Valley.

- **Secretary's: Giovanna Klauer-**

- **Committee Chairs: Becki Kuchenburg & Freybrienne Ziervogel-**
 - Dodgeball was awesome!, \$70 profit
 - American Legion auxiliary, Becki will ask Mary Rose if Woods Cares can be involved.

New Business (Requiring Motion/Vote):

- **Badger Scholarship for a Woods Graduate**
 - Woods graduate - Senior at Badger
 - Application could have questions about their time at Woods
 - Becki will ask her husband, Woods Grad, if he would sponsor a scholarship
 - **Becki** motioned to allocate \$500 to a scholarship for a Badger High School Senior that graduated from Woods.
 - **Frey** Seconded, All agree -Yes

- Where is the money pulled from the budget?
- **Ali** motioned to add a line titled “FOW Alumni Scholarship” to the Budget.
 - **Frey & Becki** Seconded, All agree -Yes
- **Update on Meeting with Principal**
 - On March 11th at 10:30 am the Friends of Woods board met with Principal Alyson Eisch after requesting a meeting to discuss our omission from her Report to the Community. The specific concern to be discussed was her assertion that we were considered exclusive.

Also present at the meeting were three staff members and Barb Wolski, a school board member. All FOW members that were present agreed it was off-putting and frankly a bit confusing for Alyson to include staff members and the school board in the meeting, especially without notifying us first.

We had also specifically informed Alyson before the meeting that we would not include Gio, who was a permanent member of the Teaching Staff team, as we felt it was a sensitive situation & we didn't want anyone feeling uncomfortable. Hence why seeing that Alyson included staff was surprising & we questioned why the same consideration had not been given to us as a team.

Instead of having a productive conversation about why she would view us as exclusive, which she ultimately said she only heard from one person since she started at Woods in June of 2019, she continued to shift focus to how often she thanks and acknowledges us, which was irrelevant to the conversation. The meeting felt more like an attack on our group and an attempt to make us look petty in front of the board and staff. Most upsetting was having staff members present to speak out against the group, as all members of the FOW board have become close to staff and were just left really sad that they would be involved in the matter.

The meeting concluded in a manner that had not been expected, and left the whole team feeling deflated, criticized & certainly questioning how we moved forward as a team of volunteers.

Unfinished Business (Requiring Motion/Vote):

- **Auction**

- Ask Alyson about how this will change to do the coronavirus.
- Not enough time, man power or donations per the Chairs of the Auction
- Consider to change event or cancel
- Ali motioned to Replace the auction with a Fun Fair with a tiny auction table & mystery boxes, tentatively set for the same date of April 17, 2020.
- Vote --- Gio- yes, Becki- yes, Ali- yes, Tonya- yes, Frey- yes, Donna- yes and Elizabeth- yes.

Next Meeting: APRIL 8, 2020 @ 6PM

Adjournment: 8:40 by Ali Burke