

Richmond Association for Montessori Meeting Minutes

Date | February 07, 2019 | 7:05PM Location James McKinney Elementary School Meeting called to order by Jacqueline Ip

In Attendance

Kushal Samy - Mckinney (secretary), Jacqueline Ip- Mckinney (co-chair), Danny Yee - Garden City (co-chair), Rachelle Barretto- Steves (Treasurer), Rika Motohushi - Steves, Sophia Feng - Mckinney, Della Chu - Mckinney

School Administrator

Mr. Susan Roy, Principal, James McKinney Elementary School

Welcome and Introductions

Approval of Minutes

MOTION: Jacqueline Ip, motion carried.

Principal's Report

Principal Susan Roy shared the following:

- February is busy with Conference
- All three schools are meeting with staff and students regarding program and philosophy. Looking at creating a brochure about the Montessori Program.
- Meeting with district staff about Pro D program around Montessori for next year
- Draw has been completed for Montessori spots and parents will get email tomorrow
- District is holding parent information session around communicating student learning, reporting and/or e-portfolio

RAM Reports

Treasurer Report

- New budget has been finalized
- Account balances were reviewed
- Current Bank Balance total \$59,843.81

Open Issues and New Business

Fundraiser

- Kids Night Out at Kidtropolis is scheduled for Friday, February 22, 2019 from 6pm to 10pm
- 22 tickets sold so far @ \$20 = \$440
- Total cost = \$735
- Eventbrite is being used to sell tickets and it is working well
- Posters are up at all three schools and social media is also being used to communicate the event

Montessori Math Night

- April 24 or April 25
- Need 2 TOC for .5 or .6 days so 2 teachers can plan the night
- Possible start time 6:30
- Evening will start with a presentation by teachers, followed by 1 or 2 high school student, possibly have a Steveston London math teacher come, tables for parents to interact with materials
- Hosted at Mckinney

Scholarship program

- Danny spoke to David Partridge from district who he will work with to get information out to the high schools regarding the scholarship
 - We will offer a minimum of 1 \$500 Scholarship with the following criteria
 - Students must have attended Montessori at Mckinney, Steves or Garden City from at least grades 4-7
 - Student must submit a 500 word essay on how Montessori has impacted his/her learning
- We will form a committee to read the review submissions and select recipient(s)

Form A and Form B

- Bursary Apps (form A) is due Mar 9
- Expenses outside pre approved materials list (form B) is due by April 10

RAM Montessori Subsidy per school (spending update)

- Garden City has started a list for books and materials
- Mckinney is also starting to compile a list

New Business

• Bursary Applications - Monika Sood has been approved for, and reimbursed \$300 and has submitted a second application. Decision pending review at the April meeting after all applications have been submitted for current year.

Next Meetings

Apr 11, 2019 at 7:00PM - Garden City Jun 6, 2019 at 7:00PM - Steves (AGM)

Motion to adjourn was made at 8:55PM and was passed unanimously.