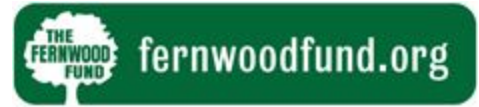


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Board Meeting Minutes (5/22/2018)



Date: Tuesday, May 22, 2018 at 6:30pm
Location: Fernwood Montessori School, Milwaukee, Wisconsin
Attendance: John Sanchez, Sean Kane, Mel Limas, Isaac Roang, Tara Baszler, Jennifer Brumm-Maciejewski, Benjamin Stocks, Lorinda Flores
Absent: Amy Joyce
Guests: Matt Ray, Eric van Schyndle, David Eskra
Facilitator: Sean Kane, Board Chair
Note Takers: Isaac Roang, Board Secretary

Meeting Notes

- Meeting called to order by Sean Kane at approximately 6:32 pm
- Standing Agenda
 - Meeting Minutes – Minutes from last meeting (4/17/2018) approved.
 - Treasurer Report – Tabled.
 - Principal's Report – Discussion of construction delays for amphitheater (rain). Need to revise tree planting event. Brief discussion of MPS budgeting and possible need for music program assistance next year.
- Beers and Cheers
 - Mel reports that the event is coming together well.
 - 70 tickets sold (outpacing this time last year).
 - Sponsorships are coming in on pace with last year.
 - Online auction for family members who do not attend event.
 - Discussion of need for certain volunteers and coordination of marketing materials.
- Landscaping and Master Grounds Plan
 - See above Principal's Report regarding amphitheater construction delays.
 - Sean provided draft conceptual plan for west playground from designer (New Eden). Will be modified for Beers & Cheers marketing efforts.
 - Consensus that the Fund is not tackling another construction project this year. Will target 2019.
- Grants
 - Environmental Education Trips – Current year is finishing up -- need pics. Lorinda reports that next year's proposals will not be available from the locations until the summer. There will be 8 trips to Schlitz Audubon (primary classrooms) and approximately 30 trips to UEC (lower elementary and upper elementary). Adolescents opted out.
Action: Board earmarked \$8,000 for trips next year, pending more formal proposals.
 - Model UN – Complete other than report (____ will request).
 - Fernwood Forensics – Complete other than report (John will request).
 - New Grant Applications – None
- Board Elections
 - Vacancies as of 6/30/2018: Isaac and Jennifer. Sean stepping down as chair.
 - Election of Officers and Members (as of 7/1/2018):
 - Chair - Mel
 - Vice Chair - Tara
 - Treasurer - Amy
 - Secretary - Ben
 - Principal - John
 - Members at large: Sean, Lorinda, Matt, Eric, David

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- Other Matters Discussed
 - Task List – Isaac will transition to Ben.
 - Discussion of schedule for next year. Mel will call a meeting in August to establish meeting schedule and to discuss long-term goals for grounds. Targeting another planting day in fall.
 - Sean thanked the Board for another productive year. The Board thanked Sean for his tenure as Chair.
- Close of business at approximately 7:20 pm

Upcoming Meetings/Events

- June 3, 2018 - Beers and Cheers from noon to 4pm (Sugar Maple)
- June 11, 2018 at 5:30 pm (Humboldt Park Beer Garden)
- August, 2018 - Meeting of the Board (date, time and location TBD)