

**Fernwood Fund Board
Meeting Minutes (9/12/2023)**



Fernwood Montessori School Fund Board Meeting Minutes

Date: September 12, 2023 at 6:30pm
 Location: Fernwood Montessori School – Community Room
 Attendees: Ben Stocks, Maia Schwartz, Brett Mytys, Sam Skizycki, Lorinda Flores, Katrina Davis, Angela Hill, Eric van Schyndle, Molly Pufall Brown, Principal Lowell
 Absent: David Eskra

Meeting Minutes

1. Approval of August minutes with the possibility of changing the June 2024 meeting date so it is not the last day of school
2. Treasurer’s Report
 - o Current estimate: the fund has \$23,566 with the committed items for 2023/2024

2022-2023 School Year			
<i>Payables/Earmarked Grants for not yet paid/realized/n bank balance</i>			\$ (620.50)
2022-2023	Schlitz	(620.50)	
Possible Funds Remaining after 2022-2023 School Year			\$ 50,088.69
2023-2024 School Year			
<i>Payables/Earmarked Grants for not yet paid/realized/n bank balance</i>			\$ (26,522.50)
2023-2024	Schlitz	(1,522.50)	
2023-2024	Urban Ecology	(5,500.00)	
2023-2024	Arts in Community (ACE) Program (music program via MSO)	(7,000.00)	
2023-2024	Spring wold music concert	(2,500.00)	
2023-2024	Natures Classroom	(10,000.00)	
Possible Funds Remaining after 2023-2024 School Year			\$ 23,566.19

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2. Grants

- Nature's classroom grant proposal was approved. Proposal asked for \$10,000 out of \$80,000. 2 night camping/immersive nature experience with peers for all 4th-6th graders. Students have been fundraising and will continue to do so (Fernwood Fest, etc.) to bring the cost of the trip down per student.

3. Music Parents

- First meeting of the school year to be held September 14
- Encouraging all parents who are interested to attend October 12 MPS school board meeting to lend your voice about the need to increase music education for K-8

4. Fundraising

- Lead role for Fernwood Flights/Beers & Cheers 2024: Brett & Maia

5. Additional items

- Fund interested parents meet and greet to be held September 13
- No fall beautification day
- Eric will review the annual appeal letter
- David to possibly be point person for United Way/other matching options
- Principal Lowell will check with PTO to see if they are planning a chili event. If not, the Fund might organize one