

Merri Loo Board Meeting Minutes

All Board Members Present

April 12, 2022

Update from Erin on finances

- Venmo needs to be linked to a personal account and is it still currently linked to Erin's account. She does not mind a roll over for the next few months after school ends, but it will be a hassle when it comes time for the next treasurer for 2022-2023.
- We would be better off using PayPal where we can add a button onto the website for parents to pay tuition. Venmo is too personally connected, where PayPal is a standalone service.
 - o It has a 1.49% (roughly) fee which is the lowest amongst our options.
- Cashapp was an option, but not with over a 3% fee.
- We are looking really well with tuition payments with a few parents paying ahead and only 2 families backed up on payments.
- We will still accept cash/check for 2022-2023 school year.

Update on Registration and coop/board positions 2022-2023 year

- Pre-k is up to 19 students! Big success! Nursery is at 9 students with 1 pending. We need to promote more for incoming 3-year old's.
- We have very few jobs left for parents to fill and based on the needs of the school, we will try our best to accommodate parent's coop requests.
 - o We are thinking of grandfathering in current coop parents, followed by a first come first serve basis. We are still discussing this option though.
- In the event where no one volunteers to be President, Heidi will fulfill that role.

Plan for Old Home Day – Saturday May 7th

- Jenn filled out the google doc to reserve a spot at the event and she received the confirmation email stating it was received, however we have not heard from the woman coordinating the event if we have a spot to set up a table/tent.

Update from Jenn on Fundraising

- Jenn feels comfortable about how she has done for the fundraising and how successful (and not successful) this past school year's fundraisers were.
- We will not be doing Touch-a-Truck this year. The lack of employment and Covid protocol puts a damper on what resources we would have to put together.
 - o We will continue to do an event with the fire station as we have done in the past.

- The flower fundraiser is going well, but still need to push more for advertisement. I plan on visiting Hannaford's on Mast Rd to ask about putting a flyer in the window.
 - o Orders close on April 25th and we will pick them up in Franklin on May 5th.
- Van Otis did great with a profit of over \$1,000! Great job Merri Loo supporters!

Discuss website updates

- We have been receiving emails and phone calls regarding available jobs posted on the website when those jobs are no longer available moving forward to 2022-2023.
- I sent out an email to Jamie to put an "under construction" notice on the handbook and jobs listed. We will provide all of the following detailed information in the coming months.

Summer Hours/Plan

- We are discussing what would be a better fit for payment: currently having payments on the 15th and 30th or doing a monthly payment for summer hours.
 - o Possibly paying in advance for summer hours?
- We will touch more on this at our next meeting.

TRANSITION

- Transition from the old board to the new board will be June 7th!
- Packet drop-off will be 5:30-6:30 (7 if need be)
- ALL board members will gather to welcome incoming members and say farewell to our previous members.

Next Board Meeting: May 11 at 6pm.