

Community Meeting

November 12, 2007

Update from Admin. On Language program plans

Annamarie has been in conversation with Tim Seldin, founder of The International Montessori Foundation, regarding various foreign language program models already in existence. Immersion programs can give the best results. AME explained that finding/recruiting bi-lingual Montessori-certified teachers is a priority. However, she is also trying to recruit substitutes who are fluent in a second language.

Middle School Committee Report

Liz Pope gave an update. She said the committee's first meeting was last Thursday, Nov 7. Six parents attended. Many questions were raised, including type of building, zoning issues. Location of middle school building, etc. Committee is in exploring stage. Next meeting not scheduled right now.

Auction Update

Angela Manning summarized information published in last Community Update. Proceeds from the auction will be directed to our school's grounds so that we can have a sustainable outdoor environment.

Community Contact/Business Book

Those in attendance agreed to have a 3-ring binder in school foyer, where parents of enrolled students may put their business cards. Liz Pope to provide binder.

Garden and Landscaping Updates

No updates given.

Janitorial Crew

Liz Meadows announced that the school is switching to a "green" cleaning company to provide janitorial services for our school. D & K Fresh Start Janitorial Service, Inc. will begin over Thanksgiving weekend.

School Name

Brittney Fray raised this topic for discussion. She had headed up committee last year to explore the possibility of renaming the school. After explaining the process used to get suggestions for a new name, she reported that none of the names had been chosen by those in attendance last spring when choices were presented. After a discussion, it was decided that the name of the school should stay as is.

Items for next meeting

- Growth of Elementary Program
- Annual Fund
- Auction
- Middle School update