

MFCCC Parent Steering Committee (PSC) Meeting Notes
April 21, 2011

Parents in attendance: Heather Winfrey-Richmond and Patti Pitcher
Staff in attendance: Julie Harms and Lee Ann Isbell

Parent Steering Committee Fund Balance: \$4,308.55 as of 3/31/11

PSC funds are used to support PSC-sponsored activities, such as those discussed in these minutes.

PSC Fundraisers:

Scrip (Leads - Jennifer): Profits for April was \$60.91. If you have a Target Visa card and purchase gift cards with this you increase our child care profits even more! Patti asked Lee Ann to look into gift cards from HyVee.

Sweet 'n' Savory Snack Sale (Lead-Valerie & Patti): April Profit=\$ 52.05

Welcome Packets (Lead – Nicole) – 15 new families enrolled from 10/1/10-4/1/11; 5 families returned the form and 5 welcome packets were delivered.

Kroger (Leads – Amy): no update

*Butterbraids-*Profit \$1,996.80; thank you!

Monkey Joe 's- Heather said that Monkey Joe's will have fundraiser nights. She said the cost is generally \$5-\$8.49 per child. Heather will investigate more to see if there would be interest.

Flower Bulbs- Julie Harms said that flower bulbs is a good fundraiser also. It is too late for Spring but maybe for Fall??

Other Activities:

*Quality Counts Grant-*Lee Ann received a grant through the Child Care Connection. The grant includes training. Illinois just released the funds associated with the grant and has awarded us \$6,400! As part of the grant, the Child Care Connection is leading MFCCC toward application for Quality Rating System-Star Rating. Lee Ann has committees for each of the areas and is working with the staff to implement changes and improvements for the highest star rating possible.

New Projects:

Teacher Resource Room: We would like to remodel the Commons Storage room into a teacher resource room. Cost approximately \$10,000-\$12,000. Would like to install a washer and dryer, work counter with stools, shelving and organizational units to make the most of the space. Lee Ann will meet with Angi to see if she can help to design the space. Funds for the remodel have not been secured yet.

Summer Camp 2011 – Summer Camp 2011 will be held in GOMP Suite 407 this year. We needed to relocate because of the MCON's growth and added classes this summer. We are grateful for the new space and look forward to this summer once again.

Teacher Appreciation Week (Lead-Heather): Heather Winfrey-Richmon has agreed to take the lead for TAW. She selected "books" as the theme. Heather has worked out the following schedule for the week(May 2-6). Monday will be soda day picked up and delivered by Adam Osborn. Tuesday will be snack day(with the parents bringing the recipe too to add to a special cookbook for the teachers). Wednesday will be lunch catered by Qdoba and picked up and delivered by Leah Allison. Thursday will be the Potluck, again with parents bringing recipe too. On Friday will be the \$5 certificate from Barnes and Noble. Look for potluck sign ups and such. Julie Harms will order tables to be in hallway outside lounge for snacks and food. Thanks.

Heather has put a form together for the parents to fill out about their child's teacher to have a "bookshower" by hanging them in the hallway and then they will be put together at the end as a book for the class. This replaces the "cardshower" the children did in the past.

Next Meeting: May 19th at 11:45 a.m.

Notes prepared by Lee Ann Isbell, Director