

DISCOVERY COMMUNITY SCHOOL

Community Meeting Minutes

October 18, 2012

Location: Carl Sandburg Commons

6:30p **WELCOME** *presented by Cris*

6:31p **PRINCIPAL'S REPORT** *presented by Heather*

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- Conversation & Coffee w/Mrs. Frazier 10/25 2:30-3:30pm Commons, 11/30 9-10:00am Commons, 1/25/13 2:30-3:30 Art/Science/Music room (1st floor, across from main office)

6:33p Frani announced new food person for community meetings: Jennifer P

6:34p **TEACHER'S REPORT**

Presented by Diane: new format of K-1, working well; play math games pairing kids K to 1, requires 'hello' and not arranged according to friends; reviewing construction equipment names on power point; science Foss kits: inquiry, explore, then discussion, Topics: Air and Weather. For 'Air' studied parachutes.

6:40p Cris introduced a new family to the DCS community

6:40p Julie: Carol could not be here

Presented by Julie: studying motion and design in science; Stella provides support of setup and cleanup. Thanks Stella!; first in-class 'field trip' – Robot Garage, teamwork and science; evaluated student answers according to score

Julie defined 'standard form' in math tests: means answer

6:45 **TREASURER'S REPORT** *presented by Jeff B*

Half contributions in; fundraising so far=\$100; has copies of budget for looking at

6:46 **ISLANDWOOD LIASON** *presented by Lauren from Islandwood*

She provided a preview, then questions, then available for individual questions

'A school in the Woods': learning can happen anywhere, outdoor education, shared learning

Science concepts learned, reinforced. Mission stated. Designed for and by kids. On Bainbridge. Work together: get stuff to lodge. Each room has a bathroom of three parts: toilet, sink, shower. Rules: Be safe, show respect, have fun.

Instructors: all wilderness and first aid trained. 31 graduate students; ½ teach at time (all working toward masters of education).

Schedule presented: Friendship Circle (creating one school), Field Group (team building, art & science, exploring & observing)

250 acres: many different ecosystems

Meals: breakfast and dinner family style. Lodge rooms set up for dinner. Dietary needs addressed by chefs, e.g. gluten free, wheat free, etc.

Items to bring: can borrow from Islandwood, important: wool socks, comfortable walking shoes, rain pant and coat, warm hat/gloves, sleeping bag/comforter/pillow, toiletries

www.Islandwood.org. – check up upcoming events

main chaperones: DCS graduates. Ask questions to Amy or Julie about Islandwood. Julie to choose name of trip. Most likely: bus to ferry and walk on ferry, Bainbridge school bus to Islandwood.

7:15p **ENRICHMENT** *presented by Susan R/Susan W*

Thank you for intensive setup and work on Friday specials. Sewing; 50/50 boys, girls, Aeronautics well received, paper folding: beautiful. Learning to retract scope due to time constraint. Junior high school age DCS graduates helping. Tried to keep 1st choice vs 2nd choice random. No-kids got 3rd choice.

Winter event: March 8, 2013

7:23p **COMMUNITY BUILDING** *presented by Lindsay C*

PNO pitch – asking for volunteer for hosting in early December. Host needs to have their space 'child-free' for the event

7:27p **Caring Coordinator** *presented by Linda M*

Coordinates caring for community members to provide support during events such as illness, new baby, injury. Let Linda know.

7:27p Fall Event *presented by Jessica*

Has sample mini golf idea in DCS quad; sent home cups for golf hole; putters donated but bring own too. Lots of snacks for sale for olders camp. 7pm

7:32p **COMMUNITY OUTREACH** *presented by Setty P/Susan V.*

- Soles4Souls shoe drive through 10/31; box in Janet's office and main office
- Trick or Treat for UNICEF boxes available in DCS and Sandburg offices; if cashing coins at Coin star, DCS has member who will compensate for fee
- Food Life Line Saturday 11/4 please send us an email if you did not receive a message from Constant Contact
- Hope Link 5K Turkey Trot on 11/18, anyone interested in organizing a DCS team? Christi to assemble team from DCS

7:35p **PTSA** *presented by Setty*

First full meeting on Thursday 10/25 from 7-9pm in library

Mathathletics. Math Fridays: parent to attend classrooms for doing math games with small groups while teachers continue to instruct other students; volunteers needed for morning group

Halloween candy: bring in for Christmas fair ornaments; & buyback through local orthodontist. Nov 1 & 2

Reflections – 'Magic of the Moment' theme; submit forms by Oct 26th.

- Reflections - Painting, Drawing, Creative writing, photography, dance and musical compositions are welcomed in this art competition sponsored by the National PTSA. Many new prizes are offered this year to contestants. Deadline 10/26

7:36 **Winter Event** *presented by Yvonne*

New cochair: Hannah; event date: March 8, Friday

More information at November community meeting

7:37 **DCS Wear**

presented by Christine

Redesigned to better reflect school logo; samples available next week; will email orders with pictures. Available black & white logo. DCS letter logo. Wants to provide options. Price of cotton priced much higher. Last year's price didn't list tax so price this year will reflect tax. \$2 DCS shopping bags.

Orders due: Nov 2nd, orders available on or before Dec 14th

7:50p **Finance** *presented by Leah*

Ink Cartridge and cell phone recycle program

Box in Sandburg office for collection. Can be recycled for money.

7:44p **Spring Camp** *presented by Jill*

May 17 – 18, at Camp Indianola.

7:59p

Green Team

presented by Susan V.

Wed Oct 24th – Parent meeting; Meet during lunch for kids, Consider keeping events green

7:59p **ADJOURNED**