

Early Childhood Advisory Committee

Minutes of January 14, 2015

Present: Cathy Leslie, Mary Lynn Duffy, Cindy Drabeck, Karen Lorch,
Kristen Restivo, and Hope Zawaski

1. Tuition Rates for next year
 - scheduled to increase by \$20

2. Fundraising Appeal Letter - Cathy Leslie
 - 52 letters sent out during the second week of January.
 - Received checks for \$150 from Chicago KIDDS Pediatric Dentist, \$100 from United Trust Bank, and \$100 from CNB Bank.
 - Kristen Restivo is going to send letters to Rancic family and a local Mortgage broker that she knows.
 - Suggestion made to send a letter to IH parents asking for sponsors and possible matching grants from their employers

3. Grants
 - still pursuing possible grant options; Cathy to participate in an Administrator academy on grant writing.

4. Transportation
 - continues to be a difficult issue for working families. Cathy will look into actual cost of parent paying for transportation through our bus company and whether this is an option. The cost is likely far too exorbitant
 - Discussed carpool list beginning with registration and open house

5. Other ways to increase public awareness of program discussed.
 - Posters for Pancake breakfast are printed and ready to be brought to local businesses for display. Hope Zawaski volunteered to do this.
 - Discussed mailing to every residence

6. Pancake Breakfast Update - Cathy and Karen

Press Release - Karen will send info to Regional; Cindy/Cathy will send to Patch, etc...

Need Kiwanis Table set up - make announcements about club

Kiwanis Volunteers - 6-8 helpers

Coffee & Juice, Milk

Fruit, Pancakes, Sausage, Syrup, Butter - offer 2nds for pancakes by going around with them

Open building at 7:00 am for set up and cooking

Karen will bring pancake bowls or utensils for cooking them

Make announcements every ½ hour of so about preschool and Kiwanis

Draw raffles about 10:45

Get roasters, etc...

Ticket sales are currently (Jan. 30) at 52.

Raffle basket donations are coming in, some rooms slowly...

Pictures with the characters - Robert Kendal Salon has volunteered to have 3 young people in costume (Anna, Elsa, Kristof) for photos. They will also donate a frozen basket to be raffled off.