



**Discovery Community School**  
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**DCS Steering Meeting Minutes**

**Date: January 5, 2023**

**Location: zoom**

*Presiding: Danya Kelberg*

*Minutes: Erin Moreland*

*Opening: 7:00 pm*

Danya opened with Land acknowledgement. Next community meeting is not a meeting but the guest speaker: Jan 19, 2023 7pm-8:30pm, Amy Lang. Sponsored by the Community Group of DCS and the Sandburg/DCS PTSA. Email with details and link went out today.

**Principal's Report – Nami Kusunose & Erin Bowser**

Thank you for the holiday gifts!

Ms Bowser has passed out some flyers regarding traffic during pick up. She'll do that some more and talk to parents struggling with the process. Working on color coded signs for kids (first name, last initial) to help the staff working the circle.

A parent has approached Ms Bowser about putting in a gaga ball pit and has done the research \$8-12k. This would be considered a Sponsored Project. PTSA will likely do a special fundraiser to raise some funds for it (DCS, PTSA, facilities). DCS students are around 15% of the students on campus, so consider donating 15% of the cost from some extra building funds we have. 15% would be \$1,200-\$1,800 from DCS. The company that installs them would come out to evaluate the area and see where it could be installed.

Q: Interest in replacing the sandy field. That would also be a sponsored project. Someone looked into turf - \$60k. Maintenance and replacement for two cycles has to be covered by the sponsored project. The district tried to get funding to replace all sandy fields with turf in the last levy but the project didn't make it in. Grass is not an option due to green school status and the cost of maintenance required. There's an April deadline for Sponsored Project proposals for fall start.

Q: If we get another snow day will it extend the school year? Yes, likely. Need to confirm. Currently the last day of school is June 23. We've had one snow day and one late start so far. Late starts don't count against days in school.

Q: Access to storage on campus for Friday Specials. We can keep the key available for access at any time, but it's hard to close it up, so Ms. Bowser wants to go over it with whomever is accessing the container. We can also provide access over a weekend but can't have the key checked out all the time. Just give Erin Bowser a call or email in advance.

### **Treasurer's Report – Jason**

checking: \$12773.35

savings: \$16397.59

donations/contributions: 28/73 students. Will be sending out reminders.

### **Community Building – Sophie/Jaclyn**

Winter event is on March 4, 3:00-5:00 pm. The Art Show is ready to go. Boards are ordered, volunteers identified. The two big jobs they need volunteers for is stage manager and director (rehearsal, kid management). Sending out a save-the-date. There are currently three people who have signed up for stage manager. Also consider Olders who might want to MCee.

January mimosa day coming soon!

### **Friday Specials - Kristin**

Building use permit approved. Jan 20, feb 3, feb 10. Tracks have been identified. alumni coming back. Shadow puppet theater, states of matter visual arts, Miller martial arts will do a tract!

### **Master Checklist – Erin**

- **Elections:** Prepare election forms (for April, will need hybrid paper and tech, or raise of hands)
- **Co-Chairs/PTSA Liaison:** Cross check calendar and master checklist against PTSA calendar
- **Staff Appreciation:** Conferences activities? Coordinate with PTSA for Conference Teacher Lunches.
- **Treasurers:** Mail 1099-Misc to independent contractors if any
- **Treasurers:** January Statements
- **PTSA Liaison:** Enrichment Report
- **Elections:** Distribute information about upcoming elections and positions
- **Fundraising:** coordinate with Outdoor Ed Committee for DCS participation. DCS Fundraising refresh for 3rd and 4th grade families.

### **Walkon Topics**

none

*Adjourned: 8:00 pm*