

CDS Home & School meeting minutes

Thursday, November 30 2023

present: Beth Gero, Amber Tanner, Ginette Johnson, Christine Dickson, Moira Peters, Millie Robinson, Joslyn Paige, Kristyn Thoms, Michelle Singer, Denise Hilchie

Ginette called the meeting to order at 6:07pm.

Christine approved the agenda.

Business arising from the minutes:

Millie's craft club at lunch is lots of fun: Grades 3–6 made snowflakes from clothespins, and Grades P–2 made puzzle-piece wreaths. A small but mighty turnout from grades P–2 (11 kids) is likely because of such low attendance at school because of illness.

The breakfast program, which hasn't so far cost the Home & School anything (thanks to Jeff Miller for donations to the breakfast program):

- \$1000/months is spent through Armstrong for non-perishables
- \$60-70/week is spent on perishables
- \$80/week is spent on milk

Hot lunches are provide by Michelle Vroeugh. Grilled cheese and pancakes are so far the most popular. Michelle works about 3 hours on the days she is cooking at the school, and is paid for those hours. Millie is not sure if the cost of the hot lunch program is covering the cost of food + Michelle's hours, but it's pretty close.

Millie got approval for a school-wide pizza day November 17, which cost the Home & School \$230.70.

**Correction to the minutes of November 2: Class crafts cost \$350, not \$300.*

Joslyn approved the minutes of November 2 with correction.

Turkey dinner 2023

Turkeys, chocolate milk, some dessert are the items being purchased by the Home & School. Otherwise, everything is being donated.

**Volunteer packages are needed to volunteer at the school. CCRCE is being strict about it this year.*

White or russet potatoes, please!

**Volunteers arrive at 8am Wednesday December 13 to start cooking for 11:50am lunch. Volunteers are welcome to dress in festive attire!*

Supplies needed:

- crock pots
- roasters
- paring knives
- chopping knives
- cutting boards
- can opener
- peelers
- oven mitts

Those cooking turkeys, please also make gravy.

Give & Get 2023

Gifts need to be counted and sorted according to age.

**We'll do this Wednesday, December 13 after the turkey dinner. Moira will pick up any extra gifts needed. Some gifts are left over from last year. Donations of extra gifts are also great. Gift wrapping is also needed. And shopping bags for kids to bring home their presents.*

>—December 15 Millie is planning a school-wide bowling trip!—<

We need to set up on Monday, December 18.

**Volunteers please arrive at 2:15 to do this.*

**Volunteers working the Give & Get please arrive at 8:45 on Tuesday, December 19 for a 9am start time.*

>—The Elf has caused chaos in school before Christmas break in previous years and has been asked to please limit his/her/their attendance this year in the name of the sanity of everyone involved.—<

We'll approve a budget for extra Give & Get gifts once we have a sense on Wednesday afternoon of how many are still needed. Our account sits at \$2514.26.

Kristyn adjourned the meeting at 7pm.