

There was a meeting of the Friends of North Syracuse Early Education, Inc. on June 14, 2018 at Main Street School.

Attendance: Shari Doherty, Trisha Harp, Jennifer Higgs, Jessica Kurpiewski, Linda Kurpiewski, Sara MacMartin, Danielle O'Brien, Catherine Podolak, and Kate Zacharek.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30pm.

Shari Doherty made the motion to approve the minutes from May 17, 2018 meeting, Sara MacMartin seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

***Treasurer's Report**: There is currently \$52,116.13 on deposit with \$8,915.75 tied up with encumbered funds and budget commitments and \$35,965.21 in dispensable funds. The expenses for the month totaled \$624.93. Income for the month totaled \$17,017.61. Kate Zacharek made the motion to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented and prepared. Jessica Kurpiewski seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

***Wish List**: Charles DeFazio has requested a dorm size refrigerator for the custodians, this will go in the basement breakroom. The price of the refrigerator is around \$125.00. The request was put to rubric and failed to meet the requirements for approval.

Wendy Grabowski had requested a handwriting without tears table for her classroom back in the fall and had put this request on hold. She would like to reinstate this request. The table will cost \$400.00 plus an additional 15% shipping. The table functions to keep children focused on the task at hand and all things they need are within reach. There was discussion that there are possibly other tables available in the school for use. Sara is going to check on the other tables and discuss with Wendy. This request will wait for approval until Wendy can present the request at a future meeting with the Friends board.

***2018-2019 Budget**: The student need fund is being renamed to Tuition Assistant Grant. The budget will be ready for approval for the August meeting, which will be on August 9, 2018. All of the board members will remain the same, with the exception of Regina joining Friends in August.

*Cafeteria Grant: At the present, Jennifer Higgs is working on a grant application for cafeteria chairs and tables to present to the CNY Community Foundation. This will be presented sometime in September 2018.

***School News**: Kate is still looking into a grant from Lowe's for a renovation at Main Street School. Lowe's picks a not for profit that they feel they are able to do the most impact. A new kitchen update might be a great area to renovate and update. This will also work nicely with the potential cafeteria grant.

Shari Doherty and Sara MacMartin have been searching items in the catalog to update the toy library and have had luck finding some great deals on Duplo stem items, bean bag toss and Lego's.

Jennifer Higgs motioned to adjourn the meeting. Sara MacMartin seconded the motion and it was carried unanimously at 7:22pm.

The next meeting is July 20, 2018 at 6:30 pm at Main Street School.

Respectfully submitted,

Trisha Harp