

# Summit Middle School Minutes, Johnston IA

December 6, 2016

Attendees: Tammy Coslin, Paulette Langwith, Carol Krois, Denice Ostrander, Julie Fortin, and Joy Wiebers

Note: Attempted to facetime Tracy Walker - would not answer from Hawaii

Called to Order 7:05 pm [Tammy Coslin]

## Old Business-Minutes

### 1. **Approval of Minutes - November 2016**

- a. Correction requested to **change acronym. Liz corrected.**
  - Motions made to approve: 1<sup>st</sup> – Julie Fortin, 2<sup>nd</sup> – Carol Krois
  - Unanimous approval

## New Business

### 2. **Treasure Report** – Paulette Langwith

- a. Balance as of December 6, 2016: **\$13,583.47**
- b. Grants have not been paid out yet - will work with Jenna to confirm payments
- c. Continue to encourage easy options to benefit Summit PTO (e.g., Amazon Smile, etc.)
- d. Motion made to approve: 1<sup>st</sup> – Carol Krois ; 2<sup>nd</sup> – Denise Ostrander
  - Unanimous approval

### 3. **Principal Report** – Joy Wiebers

- a. Karen Coldrake Foundation dates have been set for December 15th
  - i. 4:30pm-6pm open house
  - ii. 5pm presentation to family
- b. Tables with Apple TV's are being built in the Media Center
  - i. ipads (and accountability) is going well
  - ii. students are leveraging the media center
- c. Much excitement around the approved grants (and types of grants)
- d. Last year the Foundation provided money for the Media Center improvements
- e. Book fair feedback was extremely positive
  - i. \$178 per teacher for school merchandise
  - ii. Approximately \$150 set aside to buy promotional items for Spring book fair
- f. Quick review of digital backpack - policy and materials
  - i. Summit PTO falls under non-profit and school sponsored which provides more liberties
  - ii. In contrast, DC Camp trip will only be allowed to have a flier on the Board website
  - iii. Link for details <http://www.johnstoncsd.org/backpack/>
- g. Family vacations are being considered and proposing a new administrative feature of "excused" vs. unexcused absences.
  - i. 6 absences will generate a letter from the school
  - ii. 12 absences will require a call from the principal

### 4. **President's Report** – Tammy Coslin

- a. Thank you to the book fair committee - incredible positive feedback
- b. Thank you to Sarah Grady and Tami Dial as well as well as the Texas Roadhouse - amazing teacher conference meal

- c. Thank you note from Ms. Ites
  - d. Friends of ELP sent out an update regarding FJELP Navigating High School and College is on January 9th from 7 to 8:30pm at Johnston Middle School.
  - e. Open Positions for next year remain - Co-President, Treasurer and Committee Co-Chair
  - f. Conference Dates for Spring
    - i. Thursday 3/2/17 1:30 to 8pm
      - Will look to someone to provide a meal on 3/2/17
    - ii. Tuesday 3/7/17 4:30 to 8pm
- 5. Open Discussion**
- a. Possible additional fundraisers
    - i. MightyNest.com - environmental product
    - ii. Hy-Vee Fundraiser - parents provide a form to HyVee and school gets percentage of order

**Door prizes and motion to Adjourn at 7:45 PM.**

- a. Motion to adjourn: 1<sup>st</sup> –Carol Krois; 2<sup>nd</sup> – Denice Ostrander
- b. Unanimous Approval.

**Next Meeting – January 3, 2017**