MCA Board of Directors

meeting 9/18/18

* Call to order- 5:59 by Mark Wright
* Confirmation of a Quorum
* Prayer and devotion - Jeremiah 29:11 depend on God. Mark will provide devotions unless someone else would like to volunteer.
* August meeting minutes - John D makes and motion to approve minutes, John W seconds. All approve
* Head of School report-
* Staffing- new staff in place for before and after care. Everyone else seems settled and doing well. New Clubs- PTF, Booster, DC trip - Bruce has met with all. DC trip going with Our Heritage this year. PTF mum sale sold $600 mums. PTF movie night for families coming this fall. Booster club mtg- goal to support athletics. How to get elementary kids involved in outside leagues/clubs. Look at starting our own little league soccer in spring. Bruce has done lots of observations- all going well. Staff creating books with snap shots of what each grade looks like at MCA.
* Curriculum- Evaluating curriculum currently and waiting for ISTEP scores. PD will focus on comparing present curriculum to state standards. Also looking at ILEARN blueprint. HS discussion in progress with various sources including IVY Tech, IUPUI, and Fuel education. Looking to present options to parents in late Oct.
* Budget- tight on money until school choice money comes in, hopefully bike-a-thon money will help until then. Mark- were Script cards sold last year? Bruce- yes. She does them M W F each morning each morning. Mark asked about cash flow? Bruce thinks we will make it until early Oct. If school choice comes in before Oct. 26 we’re okay, if it’s after then we will pull from credit line to make payroll. Monthly budget compared to expenses each month is something we’ll keep an eye on. Look at purchasing mower ($8,000), synthetic flooring in gym ($50,000) in the future depending on funds. Mark asked- have we look at wood flooring? Bruce thinks it’s too high of threshold and we’re only using it as a gym for approx. 5 more years. Wood might be too high maintenance, synthetic is easy to clean and change surface. John makes a motion to approve budget, Amanda seconds.
* School safety- All is going well; drills are planned next week (fire, tornado, intruder)
* Athletics- Soccer, volleyball, and cross country are going well this fall. For winter sports- basketball will get to play at Bankers Life on Nov. 23. New uniforms are being priced for boys basketball. Looking to have a track team this spring, so uniforms will need to be purchased. Lemon shake up sale at the orchard in Sept will help raise money for uniforms and equipment.
* Technology- upgrades have created a rough start but it is smoothing out. IT person moved from technology line item to staff line item in budget.
* Student Discipline- small issues with young students, overall good. MS retreat Sept 20 - 21 for worship, relationship building, and fun.
* Facilities- Gym synthetic flooring; currently getting info and pricing. May look at doing late spring depending on funding. Also, bathroom flooring pricing- labor has been donated. We should have plan soon for classrooms, athletic fields, a fieldhouse, and more parking.
* Meeting with engineer- for possible addition for HS site plan- maybe have available next week. Second week of Oct have a meeting to share high school ideas with parents. Ivy Tech approx $5000 per semester for college credit classes. Kylie asked if tuition would significantly increase tuition? Bruce said no, the plan is to fundraise over the next 2 years so we can build in 2020-2021.
* Umbrella accounts for PTF and MCA Boosters- under liability of MCA. Melissa will monitor. All board members agreed and signed off on these accounts.
* Fiduciary
* John W- how was golf outing? Small, but raised about $3000.
* Public Concerns
* Prayer and adjournment - Bruce prayers, meeting adjourned at 6:38 pm