John Hay Partners/Foundation Board Meeting
Minutes
February 18, 2016, 5:30pm

The meeting was opened by Colleen LaMotte and called to order at 5:30 PM on Thursday, February 18, 2016.

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Introductions

Principal Update - Tami Beach

- Following a district-wide recommendation, a parent has been added to the Building Leadership Team. Sarah Holt will serve as the parent rep until the end of the year. She was nominated because of her extensive experience with the John Hay Partners Foundation’s annual grant request budgeting process.

  Going forward Ms. Beach hopes to have two parent reps serving two-year terms with staggered start-dates. Colleen feels parent BLT members should be former Partners Board members who have knowledge of the budget and grant request process.

  The district also recommends that an at-large community member participate on the Building Leadership Team to strengthen connections between schools and their neighbors.
● On Tuesday, March 8th staff will be given the opportunity to approve the budget request proposals put forward by BLT’s Grant Request subcommittee. After the meeting the approved grant request details will be shared with Partners Board Members for their review prior to the closed March 10th Partners Board meeting. Board Members should plan to stay until 7:30 on March 10th.

Adjustments to the grant request can be made later in the year when the auction results are in.

● Ms. Beach announced that John Hay will be getting an additional portable next year. The good news is that, unlike many schools, we haven’t had to give up our teacher’s lounge or meeting rooms. The portable is necessary because the district predicts that next fall we will have enough Kindergartners to fill 4.5 classrooms and enough First Graders to fill 4.5 classrooms. Today there are 4 Kindergarten classes and 3 First Grade classes.

● John Hay is one of approximately seven schools that made the district’s shortlist of buildings that MAY be eligible to change bell time tiers. In John Hay’s case it would mean switching from Tier III (late start) to Tier I (early start). The decision will be announced on May 31st, which is the same day that enrollment closes.

● On February 23rd Michael Tolley, an Assistant Superintendent, is visiting John Hay to tour the school and learn more about the John Hay community.

Sue Peters, our neighborhood School Board representative, is visiting John Hay on February 25th. She will hopefully see a class or two in session and meet with the Building Leadership Team.

Auction Update - Lynn Baker
- Everything is coming along. Noelle Kaiser, head of John Hay’s Tech Club, said that her students would film the fund-a-need video, following Sarah Holt’s vision.

- Invitations were distributed this week. One table has already returned its RSVP.

- Meg and Lynn met with Libby Mansour and planned an after-drop-off coffee for Room Parents to stir up excitement and provide coaching to help Room Parents encourage attendance and organize tables. It is scheduled for Thursday, Feb 23rd at 9:30am.

- Tami announced that teachers are open to suggestions if parents have teacher-experience auction ideas to share.

Co-Chair Update - Colleen LaMotte
Olivia and Colleen are planning elections for next year’s board. Be sure to let Colleen know if you are NOT keeping your position.

Dance Party Report - Samantha Tunbridge
Samantha is sending Dance Party flyers home via the red folders soon. Special learners will be invited to an exclusive “slow-start” pre-function where lights will be up and music will be low for
30 minutes prior to the official start time. She needs a lot of help to make the night a success and will be setting up a place on volunteer spot for volunteers to register.

**Volunteer Hours - Lisa Evans**
Lisa Evans shared that she and Lynn tallied up volunteer hours by going through the volunteer logs. John Hay volunteers donate, on average, a combined total of 1,100 hours per month.

Meeting adjourned at 6:25pm

Respectfully submitted by Joanna Mattson, Secretary

**2016 Meeting Schedule**
March 10 - Closed Meeting, will probably run late so plan to stay until 7:30.
April 21
May 19
June 16