# Friends of Pulaski Board of Directors Meeting December 19, 2018

The Board meeting was called to order by Jamie Ayers at 7:38 PM

# **MEMBERS**

Jamie Ayers, President – Present
Leanne Sardiga, Treasurer – Present
Luann Ray, Secretary - Present
Melinda Green, Fundraising and Events - Present
Bob Fox, Volunteers Co-Chair - Present
Michele O'Connor, Volunteers Co-Chair – Present
Scott Suckow, Projects and Procurement – Present
Natasha Freeman, Communications – Not Present

# Guest

Lezlie Gonzalez, Pulaski Parent Raquel Forsgren, Living Yoga Therapy

A motion was made to approve the minutes from the November meeting by Bob Fox and seconded by Luann Ray. The motion passed.

## WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

# PRINCIPAL UPDATE

- Mindfulness Proposal and Discussion
  - Principal Racasi expressed concern about teacher burnout and difficulty with discipline, especially in the primary grades
  - Board to discuss ways to assist the teachers parent involvement, classroom management
  - Raquel Forsgren presented a proposal from her company, Living Yoga Therapy to offer videos, mindfulness workshops and yoga classes\*
- Playground Improvement Plan Updates (on hold for next meeting)
  - \*A motion was made to approve the cost of videos and mindfulness workshops by Melinda Green and seconded by Jamie Ayers. The motion passed.

# TREASURER

- Cash balance of close to \$160k
- Income for month: \$4,000 Fun Run, \$5,300 Match Campaign, \$2,300 PWAP
- Promotional: Includes net T-shirt proceeds and Dad's Social
- Pulaski Projects: Anti-bullying program

# **FUNDRAISING AND EVENTS**

- Matching Gift Campaign earned \$8,549.05 in donations plus \$7,000 in match dollars for a total of \$15,549.05 (Note for 2019: begin Campaign week after Thanksgiving/week-of Giving Tuesday...December 2-13?)
  - o Discussed logistics for spending match donations
- 12/8 Elf movie @ The Logan Theatre raised \$236
- 12/13 Moms' Holiday Saber Social @ Dos Urban Cantina had 20+ attendees
- 1/20 Chicago Wolves Hockey Game (3pm); \$26 until 1/9/18
- 1/24 Dads' Saber Social (15% back @ Tapster?)
- 2/23 Party with a Purpose @ Galleria Marchetti (8-11pm), \$75 until 12/31/18 then \$85
- April Chipotle Dine-Out (4/8 or 4/9?)

## COMMUNICATIONS

• Send Natasha any updaters for the next E-Blast

## PROJECTS AND PROCUREMENT

- Microwave Purchased
- PCI Self-Assessment Task

## **VOLUNTEERS**

- On Going Recruitment for Kiss and Go and Lunchroom Duty Volunteers. Please advise approved volunteers to just show up to lunchroom shift even if schedule indicates needs are covered.
- Beginning initial recruitment for PWAP Classroom Art Projects
- Contact Michele O'Connor and/or Bob Fox for these and future volunteer opportunities michele@friendsofpulaski.org or bob@friendsofpulaski.org

# SECRETARY/COMMUNITY OUTREACH

• Update from Grant-Writing Committee – next meeting in January

# **NEW BUSINESS**

• FOP Teacher rep / liaisons – (tabled for next meeting)

There being no further business, the Board adjourned at approximately 9:31 PM