

Parent Council Notes

4/3/2017

In attendance- Terinna, Tara, Shannon, Emily, Tracy, Debbie and Nicole

LLCC items:

NAEYC- Ledyard- Emily S. is going to help Debbie get the surveys out to parents;

Norwich-

Upcoming events- Health and Nutrition Training April 26 in Ledyard 6:30-7:30-if any parents are interested please let Debbie or Nicole know. Debbie will send out an overview to all parents

Friday Night outs, April 28-Ledyard; June 2-Norwich; Mother's Day Tea May 12

Ledyard- Family fun day, May 19 4-6; Graduation/Father's Day Ice Cream, June 9; Conferences week of April 17 for preschool and sign-up sheets will be available for Infants and Pretoddlers during our Family fun day

Norwich- Family fun day, May 26 4-6; Graduation Father's Day ice cream, June 16; Conferences, teachers will be letting parents know individually when they are able to meet

Staff changes- Miss Jess will be moving in May; we will be looking for a new preschool teacher over the summer but Miss Amanda and Mr. Nick will be helping out in preschool throughout the summer; Miss Megan will be back at the end of May and she will setup conferences after she returns

Next meeting scheduled for-

Other- We had Miss Erin come and do music and movement sessions with our infant and pretoddler classes in both centers-totaling \$200. We also had a visit from BJ Hickman the magician in both centers totaling \$300. In total, we used \$500. Thank you very much to the parent council for making this possible!!

Teacher Appreciation week May 8-12-the parent council would like to do a staff luncheon at each center. Shannon will be in charge of ordering food for Ledyard; Norwich tbd. Asking for donations of \$10 per family. Debbie and Nicole will both have envelopes in their office.

Parent Items:

- Update Parent Advisory Council Guidelines
 - What are the responsibilities of the parent contact?
 - Serves as liaison between parents and directors
 - Delegates roles/ enlists volunteers (direct contact with parents)
 - Works with director to set up guest speakers/field trips using PAC funds

Any ideas on more visitors/field trips please let Nicole, Debbie or Emily know

We would also like to know if any parents would like to volunteer their time, or anyone they may know that might want to come in and teach the children something/showcase a talent etc. if so, let us know!

- Finalize in guidelines: who has a say in how money is used. (Majority vote at meetings)
Parents that are present at the meetings will have the say in what the money goes towards.
- Final decision/decision-making abilities in between meetings?
Under \$500 Emily will make the final decision if we are between meetings; if over \$500, Emily will e-mail the people that attended the last meeting
- Update guidelines and parent sign-off
We decided against having parents sign-off
- Communication
 - Providing feedback: kudos box, parent survey, Parent Advisory Council mailbox?
 - Do we need a secondary liaison at the Norwich Center?Emily is going to run a facebook page-Parent Advisory Council for Little Learners; this will be used to communicate upcoming events, where help is needed and if you need to contact Emily you may do so through this page

Debbie will put a “kudos box” on the front wall, to the left of the door when walking out of the building. Emily will come up with a form for parents to fill out. Nicole will figure out a place to put one up in Norwich.
- Fundraising Ideas
 - Mother’s Day flower sale?- volunteer to call sellers and ask; volunteers to make sales in the afternoon (at each site); Second Week in May
Emily will call Malerbas’ and see if they are willing to do this.
 - Yard Sale?- volunteer to be in charge and enlist more volunteers; time commitment (pricing?) June 10th
Items would be placed on tables outside LL Ledyard evening of June 9, will not be priced by item, but by donation; LL centers will have children make baked goods for the PAC to sell during the yard sale; it was decided to do 8-12 for the hours of the yard sale-will need volunteers for possible evening before, morning of to setup and throughout the sale, as well as after to bring unwanted items to goodwill/cleanup. If interested contact Emily
 - Other Ideas and time of year
Krispy Kreme, lularoe during our family fun day-15% of profit would be donated to Little Learners PAC, know any other consultants that would be willing to do a fundraiser? Let Emily, Debbie or Nicole know.