Carmel Middle School Executive Board Meeting Minutes October 15, 2019

Attendance: Ann Bernard, Jason Rose, Sarah Galante & Trudy Young

- I. Principal's Report
 - A. One teacher grant from SEL/Student Services
 - 1. Details provided in treasurer report below
 - B. NWEA testing is complete
 - C. Fall Sports and after school clubs starting up
 - D. Discipline Issues at the school
 - 1. Reminder that PTO can be used as a resource
 - E. Q2 starts next Monday
 - 1. Hoping for a smooth transition
 - 2. Not printing schedules as students can use Powerschool as a tool
 - F. School is regularly enrolling new students
 - 1. Almost at 1400 students but no classrooms that are over capacity
 - G. Most classes average 27-28 students
 - H. Dad's Club
 - 1. Budget still in process
 - 2. Deanna sent email introducing this club and to gather interest
- II. Treasurer's Report
 - A. PTO donations total \$23,300
 - 1. No Red Apple sales this year
 - 2. Asked families for direct donations
 - 3. Amount received so far is what school received from Red Apple in previous years, with much less work and stress for everyone involved
 - 4. Overall consensus is positive for new donation process
 - 5. Savings account balance is \$69,000
 - B. Teacher Grant
 - \$145 requested from Christine Winger, Counselor on behalf of SEL/Student Services
 - 2. Money to be used to purchase items for mindfulness toolkits for classrooms. Kits would contain mindful cards and fidgets.
 - 3. Focus on social/emotional learning and to help kids break through barriers to learning, i.e. anxiety, self harm tendencies.
 - 4. Starting small with putting together 10 kits to find out what teachers and students like.
 - 5. Goal is to have a kit in each core classroom.

- 6. * Ann Bernard moves to approve grant, Jason Rose seconds. Motion passes as presented. *
- III. Committee Reports
 - A. Staff Appreciation
 - 1. Next week is bus driver appreciation and school safety week

Meeting minutes respectfully submitted by Sarah Galante