December 10, 2019 Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 5:35 PM.

Present: Chris Nesmith, Corey Graham, & Akia Harper

Three major topics were discussed.

**Back of School Beautification Project:** Stephanie from Reese’s Nursery came out & completed a landscape plan for the back of the school. She also provided us with plant recommendations & pricing. (6) 3-gallon Podocarpus, (14) 3-gallon Sunshine Ligustrum, (7) 25-gallon Loropetalum tree form, & 1 Japanese Maple all for the price of $3134.10. They will give us a 35% discount that brings the price to $2037.16. We also had an estimate done by KB landscaping. The $5,850 estimate included mulch, labor, irrigation, & plant installation. Chris will talk to Mrs. Jackson to see if the irrigation maintenance falls under the district’s maintenance umbrella. If so, this will save us some money. We discussed the possibilities of reaching out to Blythewood and Westwood High Schools to see if one or some of the organizations such as the mentoring program led by COL White (JROTC), BETA Club, FFA etc. would be willing to volunteer to do the planting and mulch installation. Our only expense would then be paying someone to prep the beds.

**Spaghetti Social:** The original social date is January 14th. We took a look at the calendar & discussed moving the date to sometime in February versus January. Chris will discuss with Mrs. Jackson to see if this is feasible. This move would give everyone involved enough time to prepare. Teachers will have time after Winter Break to prepare their Kahoots & help students prep for their presentations. We’ll have ample time to get the food supplies from Food Lion & to the caterer. The SIC and PTO will have time to work on getting the partnership letters and invites out to businesses within the first 2 weeks of January.

**Parent University:** We discussed moving this closer to testing in the Spring (sometime after Spring Break) as a result of moving the Spaghetti Social. In our November meeting we discussed doing something different with this event. It was suggested that we have an off-campus event. An ice cream social was one option. We’d provide ice cream & games that are literacy based. However, considering the timing and our focus on the Spaghetti Social, we thought keeping it simple would work best this year.

Chris asked that Akia coordinate with Antje to provide the next meeting date & our website link.

The meeting was adjourned @ 6:25 PM. Our next meeting is on January 7, 2020.