

Meeting Notes

Feb 8, 2024

Attendees: Tulika Prasad, Lauren Watson-Cowen, Elizabeth Ann, Sara Bitter

1. Lauren and Elizabeth expressed how it was difficult for her to find out the programs that were available in other elementary schools within Sycamore. Tulika expressed the importance of using the FB group for these questions so that members can respond and get engaged.
2. Lauren and Elizabeth suggested that we must try other meeting times to get more attendance.
3. Discussion was held about turning the group to a non-profit but since we are still working on getting more engagement, we wanted to focus on that before we work towards becoming a non-profit.
4. Monthly events – Rachel Pettibone is organizing these. Feb event is on Summer Camps and March is about transitions between buildings. We plan to have a Spring picnic in April
5. We discussed about the need to have an account for our expenses (events, website, paid zoom etc.). Still looking for a way to have an account that's not connected to any personal account.
6. We need volunteers to attend board meetings. Lauren suggested sharing a google sheet in the FB group so that people can put their names against the meeting dates.
7. Tulika suggested starting a quarterly SPEAR award for all special needs staff within Sycamore (Special needs teachers, administrators, therapists, Aides etc.). This would help with the visibility of SPEAR
8. Spear website is almost ready. The link was shared with the attendees to get their feedback.
9. We are still looking for volunteers to fill the following positions:
 - Recording secretary
 - Blue Ash Spear Head
 - Montgomery Spear Head
 - E.H. Greene Spear Head