

**AINSWORTH FOUNDATION**  
**Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors**  
**April 14, 2008, 11:30 a.m.**  
**Offices of New & Neville,**  
**900 SW 13<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Suite 210, Portland**

**Attending:**

*Board Members:* Christine Carr, Kanth Gopalpur, Nancy Hinnen, David Kenney, Amy Kohnstamm, Tim Leahy, Edie Millar, Jenni O'Brien, Lucy Reynolds, Anne Rohosy, Dara Wilk.

*Absent:* Heidi Greenwald.

*Other Ainsworth Parents:* Stuart Allen, Kerry Godfrey-Scroggins, Becky Holzman, Karen Rodriguez, Lee Rumaner, Liam Thornton.

*Principal:* Liz Casson-Taylor.

**Welcome**

Anne Rohosy and Tim Leahy welcomed the directors and Ainsworth parents to the meeting. Upon motion by Lucy Reynolds and seconded by Amy Kohnstamm, the Board approved the March 2008 minutes which had previously been distributed to the Board.

**Financial Review**

As of today the Foundation has approximately \$266,000 in the bank, not including matching donations by employers or commitments by major donors which would account for approximately \$15,000 additional funds.

Our \$310,000 goal would allow Ainsworth to hire back our art teacher and the two assistant teacher positions we have had to drop for next year. Our goal is to raise this money by May 15 so that we have a better chance of retaining the same staff.

The Board discussed a fundraising strategy that would include incentives – such as a party - for classes to be the first to have 100% participation. *(Note: This strategy was later rejected by the school staff and was abandoned.)*

The co-chairs and Dara Wilk reported that 2 thermometer banners, showing amount raised and total participation, will be hung on Ainsworth's front fence mid-week.

**Major Donor Campaign**

Ms. Carr reported that she has compiled a list which consists of 33 families that have been major donors in the past but have not donated so far this year. She will divide the list up among the board members. The week of April 28, volunteers are needed to make

telephone calls to the Ainsworth community from 7-9 pm at the Portland Schools Foundation.

Lucy Reynolds volunteered to organize a table in the Ainsworth courtyard with donation envelopes, reminding people that every contribution makes a difference. The plan is to do about one of these per week until the deadline.

Anne Rohosy will speak at Special Friends Day, and there will be a table in the parking area (back field) to answer questions.

The Board discussed whether to have a presence or a fundraising push at the art fair as well, and the Board decided to have a table to answer questions. Traditionally the Ainsworth Art Fair is not a fundraising event, but the connection this year (due to the potential loss of our art teacher) is very strong.

The board also discussed other possible avenues of appeal, including alumni, the community at large, Apoyemos al Espagnol and the Southwest Hills Residential League.

The Foundation needs to raise \$30,000 by May 15 to reach its minimum goal. Tim Leahy spoke encouragingly to the Board members that it was a very reachable goal.

#### **Other Business**

David Kenney updated the website this past weekend. He will endeavor to keep it updated on a weekly basis during this crucial period.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by

Nancy Hinnen  
Secretary

**Next Meeting: Monday, May 12, 2008, 11:30 am**  
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