## Attending

Molly Laster (Pres), Perry Parsons (VP), Josie Clark (Trs),
Ruth Davis, Carrie Evans, Tami Gianacos (teacher), Marita Grunfeld, Pete Intravartolo, Cathy Laetz, Mary Murray, Karen Rosenberg (from the sign in list)

## Administrative

*November meeting:* We had a special topic presentation, so there were no official minutes for our 11/8/16 meeting. However, the Board voted to transition Suzy Large from co-Vice President to Secretary at the meeting, given that our elected-Secretary has left the school.

## Updates

*Artist in Residence update*: the first performances (in K) are next week. There is discussion about how best to provide AiR services to the 4th-5th grade classes—either with 1 artist in each home room or a joint artist in one subject area.

*Walk-a-Thon:* the event exceeded expectations, raising over $17,000. Marita is looking to simplify the event by eliminating room-based prizes for next year. Instead the focus will be on supporting the entire school.

*Innovation Club*: a new STEAM offering in the school. It also serves to advance institutional learning. (POC Pete)

## Up-Coming

*Auction, April 2*: volunteers needed for procurement, among other things. (POC is Derek Butcher at derek@industrialbolt.com)

*K Open House:* looking to schedule an open house for incoming Kindergarten families in coordination with the K teachers. [1/20/16 update: the event is now scheduled for 2/3. //ML]

## Mid-Year Budget

Josie Clark reported on the budget, explaining that there was a total of $5100 allocated for mid-year requests and emerging needs. Staff requests for additional (mid-year) allocations included:

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| $2100 for the ceramics and supplies (Haq)$100 K art for the additional K class (Glubka)$1500 tech funds to mount smart boards (Gray)$260 tech for animation project (Schoenfelder)$150 class project (Meraki)$1500 tech library ipads (Toomey/Hester) $1840 toy workshop (Meraki) | $150 gingerbread houses (Leighton)$100 PE (Green)$2000 for new K class (Corley/Kribbs)$860 subscriptions (Schoenfelder)~~$2000 library (Toomey)~~$450 paper for office (Shimazu)$750 FOH costs |

All requests were approved except for the library request. (We encouraged Mr. Toomey to incorporate additional needs into his annual request. //ML)

In total, $11,760 was approved, with the additional funds coming out of FOH reserves.

We discussed the importance of having criteria with which to assess requests, and decided that it would be useful to reach out to teachers for input in this area. Molly volunteered to attend a staff meeting to discuss funding and budgeting in the new year.