

## Greater Madison Area Chamber of Commerce Education Committee Minutes 01-03-2018

**Mission Statement** - The Committee will promote and support education at all levels and enhance the educational partnership within the community.

**Present:** Cotton Koch, Melissa Miller, Penni Groce, Vickie Kommes, Courtney Storm, Charlotte Groce, Ann Zerfas, Liz Avery, Crystal Pauli, and Michele Keppen

Approval of Agenda: Motion made by Michele, seconded by Vickie. Vote: motion carried.

Approval of Minutes: Motion made by Penni, seconded by Liz. Vote: motion carried.

### **Old Business:**

Representative for Discover DSU still needed for April 7th

Review of AEW:

- a. Economic impact ads - continue
- b. Committee banner display - continue
- c. Yard signs - continue
- d. Treats - continue
- e. Table tents - continue

MHS Internship Program:

a. Committee members will try to make one contact and give information on program before May of 2018.

Madison Central School Teacher of the Year Award:

- a. Ann, Crystal and Penni are the selection committee

Above and Beyond:

- a. Move forward and try program
- b. Setting box up at Community Center which Courtney will monitor
  1. Put ad newsletter, which is now quarterly
  2. Put ad in minutes
  3. Recognize teacher who has gone above and beyond

### **New Business:**

Financial Report - Expense review

Educator of the Year and Friend of Education Promotion:

1. Send out note to administrators
2. Possibly condense process and verify by next meeting

### **Reports:**

MCS Foundation - No Report

Junior Achievement - On December 8, JA did the Excel through ethics curriculum for 2018, with the junior class. Penni and Ann went around the classrooms. The kids had many great additions. In the beginning of February, they will get together to discuss their 2018 plans.

Madison Christian School - The 1st Annual Christmas Fun Run was a success on a perfect day. Other activities were Christmas caroling, Happy Birthday Jesus party, and tree at Smith Zimmerman museum. Pennies for patient's campaign has started with coin collection at local businesses and more fund-raising activities to benefit the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society and honor Ben Wieman.

Professional Training Services - No Report

St Thomas School - No Report

DSU: The semester starts on January 8th and enrollment is steady. On February 9, DSU will have their annual Gala. There's a new initiative that's almost ready to pilot in the college of education. DSU is partnering with a University in CA, called Inspire and Harmony. There are resources to help teachers be the best they can be through modules and resources, it would help teachers achieve their potential and ultimately help the students.

Madison Central Schools - The winter concerts were great but over. Sports have begun for the second semester. The Middle school received a \$10,000 grant to buy 24 robots and is partnering with Beacon college on cyber security education.

Valiant Living - They have received some nice donations including an East River grant and a memorial for Joline Goeman.

Next Meeting: February 7, 2018, Nicky's at noon.

