

New Morning Nursery School
Board of Directors Meeting
Monday, April 20th

- I. **Attendees:** Lindsay Suttin, Amy Hahn, Emily Kerrigan, Jodi Carlson, Kate Patterson, Keri Schlect, April Denton, Suzanne Lee, Rebecca Anderson-Brown, Sarah Sherman, Brenda Chamberlain, Brittney Keesey, Ashley Russell, and Cherish Orozco.

- II. **COVID Updates**
 - a. **PPP Loan/Tuition -**
 - i. April shared that we received the loan in the amount applied for - \$72,400. The money has been deposited into our school account. The remaining step is to apply for forgiveness and this is expected to be a non-issue given that >75% of the funds will go to pay teacher salaries.
 - ii. April will communicate with parents that we received this loan and that those who have paid tuition through the end of the year can ask for the months of April and May back or that those funds can be treated as a tax-deductible donation. **Later discussion in the meeting included a recommendation that consistent messaging apply to those who have pre-paid and those who gave April checks (that had not yet been cashed).*
 - b. **Summer -** Given the unknowns at this point, we will revisit summer school and other opportunities to connect with school groups at our next meeting.
 - c. **Online Learning -** The feedback continues to be positive from families on all that the teachers are doing. Suzanne and Rebecca shared the variety of ways they've connected with students so far and a few ideas they've been thinking about.
 - d. **Conferences -** Any remaining conferences for Willow and Birch will be handled by teachers as they deem appropriate. Some will be virtual or portfolios will be dropped off at homes.
 - e. **Fundraising -** Discussed potentially keeping our Chocolate Shoppe Dine Out (but not collect on the proceeds). Sarah reconnecting with the store on the status.
 - f. **Teacher Appreciation** (*this portion discussed w/o staff Board Members*)
 - i. Brittney and Lindsay shared some of their initial ideas and we brainstormed a few more.
 - ii. Brittney will head up this effort and work with room parents to communicate with families.
 - iii. Related to the online learning discussion, we also talked about wanting to ensure teachers have access to what they need to support online learning the balance of the school year. Lindsay will follow-up with April on the latter piece.

Next Meeting: Monday, May 18th 7:30pm