Parent Association of the Lab School Meeting
Thursday, February 12, 7:00 pm

Gym Jam:
- Gym Jam raised around $3000 this year
  - The money will go towards buying some fantastic wooded outdoor blocks for the Lab School
  - The blocks will be ready for use outside during Spring session
- The new timing of 4:00 – 6:00 on a Saturday afternoon for Gym Jam seemed to work well for families
- We are hoping to put together some documentation of Gym Jam to share with new families (pictures, memories, videos, quotes) and to promote event

Spring Soiree
- SAVE THE DATE: Event is scheduled for evening of Saturday, April 25 at the Dodge Nature Center
- Silent auction donation solicitation letter are being mailed this month
- Spring Soiree Committee is looking for a LIVE MUSICIAN willing to donate their time/talent and perform during the event. If you know of someone, please pass the information to kkavan@comcast.net.
- There are lots of volunteer opportunities for the SPRING SOIREE – please watch for “requests to help” from the Spring Soiree Committee as they will start being sent in the next couple of weeks

Kiln:
- Over $3000 was raised for the new kiln
- The repair of the kiln cost around $1000, and running electricity out to the kiln cost around $1500
- The remaining funds will go toward buying clay and materials
- The Northern Clay Center will be doing some training with the staff
- The kiln should be up and running by the end of the year

New Director Search:
- The first candidate, Dr. Lynn Dietrich, Ph.D, gave a job talk today, and there is a meet and greet with parents on Friday, December 13
- The other two candidates are coming March 5 and March 12 – more specific details about talks, meet & greets, and timing will be provided closer to the dates
- There are comment cards so that parents can give their feedback to the hiring committee
- All families are encouraged to attend the events

Summer Camp:
- There will be a four week summer camp for Lab School families this summer
- There may be a one week science camp – depending on teacher’s schedules
- Registration information will be sent on February 23 via email
  - Applications are turned in by hand to Amy Pieren along with payment
Volunteering:

- There are lots of opportunities to engage in and support the Lab School through volunteering
  - Volunteer opportunities come in all shapes and sizes and can fit any schedule
- New whiteboard in Sheila's space posts volunteer opportunities
  - Check out the new whiteboard for a sneak preview of upcoming SPRING SOIREE and other volunteer opportunities
- We will organize another service opportunity for Lab School families this spring – this may turn into a committee that will organize regular service projects throughout the year

Spring Break

- Discussed possibility of creating an All School Yoga, craft & snack event one day during Spring Break.
- Room Parents to gauge parent interest in Event
- If there is interest, Room Parents to team together to coordinate event