

Executive Committee Meeting

STRIVE

February 25, 2013

Goals:

1. **By 2013-2014 all students reach high standards, at a minimum attaining proficiency or better in Communication Arts, Mathematics, and Science according to the annual MAP scores and local assessments.**
2. **Gasconade County R-2 students and family participation in after school programs will increase at all levels over 5 years of the grant program.**
3. **Provide a safe alternative before and after school environment for all students.**

A. Special Events possibilities: (this money is budget from the 4-H portion of the grant)

1. St. Louis Zoo cost \$9.00 per student, includes petting zoo, railroad roads, 3D simulator, sting rays, Conservation Carousel
2. Grant's Farm: walk around, pet goats, have some animal shows, could possibly eat lunch there
3. Purina Farms: no cost which includes a doxciin dog show, children's barn, and visitor center. Lunch can be bought there for \$3.50 per child includes chicken nuggets or corn dog, chips, rice crispy treat, and a drink.
4. Meramac Springs: waiting to hear back from them
5. Earth's Classroom possibilities

Possible dates: May 15, 16, 17, and 20 this would be during the day trip as a reward for those students that have come to STRIVE for so many days and also a motivation to keep participating.

Ideas that were discussed in meeting:

Caves? Watch for MAP testing dates. Fisher caves and onondaga cave. Shaw Nature Reserve. Botanical Gardens too far away. Runge nature center. Rent bikes and ride down the Katy trail. Golf at the park. Lost Valley Lake resort. Ride Amtrak for a trip-just to ride the train (delayed a lot). Wild caving In the oars through Earth's classroom.

Should we divide up and go GES and OES on separate days or go together and then have a middle school/high school trip or go all together. Maybe high school students and middle school students could possibility help keep groups of students together.

Possibilities:

K-1 goes to Earth's Classroom

2-3 go to Purina Farms

4-5 go to the zoo

6-12 maybe go to some place like Swing Around Fun Town

Also, maybe students that have come for 30 days or more could invite a friend to come along. I know from my own children if there are rewards and if they don't have a friend they won't go.

Can't invite a friend if go caving. Only can take 20 kids in wild caving.

Know of any possible motivational speakers or something special that could come to our school to make a visit to the whole group???

Rachel's challenge was very motivational and good as a follow up. Chief Reinhardt paid for it.

B. Ideas for next year in your buildings??

I have to submit a renewal application at the end of April for next year stating what we are planning on doing with our program. If you have specific ideas, like more tutoring in your building or specific things like reading, math, science, etc. I need to know by the end of March.

- C. **Wish List:** If you have any ideas of something supply wise that you would like to have please let me know that as well. I need to know how it will be used in afterschool and then you are welcome to use it during the day as well. This is only a wish list and is only if we have extra monies left over.

Casey has spoken to me about some electronic library idea so kids can check books out on their kindles and e-readers. It is like the Scenic Regional Library uses.

Jeannine has also asked about FM speakers.

- D. **Professional Development Opportunity** for teachers this week in Columbia for Sci Girls. Emphasizes girls ages 8-13 in science and math. Cheri Scheer, Kirstie Hogue, and Amy Estes are going. (Postponed due to expected weather)

Moved to end of April

E. Important dates in each of your buildings coming up that I would need to know about are:

1. _____ OMS

2. _____ OHS

3. _____ GES

4. _____ OMS

E. Wind Turbine Project:

Intro to Small Wind and Wind Turbine Foundation Install -- April 11 - 13 (Owensville, MO)

Rain date:

Intro to Small Wind and Wind Turbine Foundation Install -- April 25 - 27 (Owensville, MO)

Wind Turbine Install -- June 5 - 8 (Owensville, MO)

Rain date

Wind Turbine Install -- June 10 - 13 (Owensville, MO)

Free for community to come and help. Put on April calendars.

- F. **On Site Review:** April 18 and 19. They will come and go through the box of things, do an exit review on the 19th and then come to OES to see the program that evening.
- G. **If you see any grant possibilities**, please send them my way as this could be a way of helping with sustainability with our current grant.

Community Foundation grant for \$500 for signs Can a shop class through strive help build the seating/ trails etc.

Yoga class at elementary. Would be good. No one saw why there would be a problem.