



**ABORN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL–Katia Spiess, M.Ed., Principal**  
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**Vision Statement**

*The Aborn Elementary School will help all students develop the ability to think critically and creatively, to solve problems individually and collaboratively, to appreciate and respect diversity, and to become productive, responsible, and responsive members of a global society.*

## **School Council Meeting #4**

### **Minutes**

**March 21, 2022**

**6:00-7:00 p.m.**

**Aborn Elementary School, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor**

#### **School Council Members:**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Katia Spiess, Principal    | <input type="checkbox"/> Angela Rossi, Parent            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Heather Angus, Teacher     | <input type="checkbox"/> Tia Cole, Parent                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Jennie Hennessey, Teacher  | <input type="checkbox"/> Casey Foote, GE, Community      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Catherine Sheehan, Teacher | <input type="checkbox"/> Nila Webster, Author, Community |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Stephanie Gallo, Parent    | <input type="checkbox"/> Brandy Donachie, Community      |

#### **Agenda Items:**

- I. Roll Call
  - a. Present: Katia, Jennie, Catherine, Casey, Nila and Brandy
- II. Vote to adopt previous meeting's minutes
  - a. Minutes - accepted
- III. April – Poetry Month – Nila Webster
  - a. [Story of the Hidden Room: \(11 minutes\)](#)
    - i. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0uNwe0cDkqE>
  - b. [The Gift of You, The Gift of Me \(6 minutes\)](#)
    - i. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=p5OYg-edjDI>
- Morning announcements – Black History Month and Women's History Month
- April – Poetry Month
- Resources
  - o Whispers for A Magical Time with teacher guide - Suzanne Webb- photography – Brian, Lily and Keith grandma
  - o *Ripples of Light* – 6 copies – one for each grade level – Suzanne has guide book – gift
  - o Where the Poems Dance - Poem, Image, Reflection – digitally
  - o The Mystery of the Hidden Room – blank sheet of paper and draw Hidden Room
  - o Remember Beauty and Songs for a Blue Time
  - o *Photographs by Suzanne Webb* - on loan
  - o Worksheets – poem, photo, write about it
- Contact Enzo Surin
- IV. Miscellaneous
  - a. Additional ideas
  - b. Continue Friday after school

***"If it doesn't challenge you, it doesn't change you."***

- i. Fridays continue month of April - Late afternoon/Friday afternoon – poetry hour to write/happy images for Refugee camps – connect with Hearts for Ukraine – Nila has contacts for Refugee Groups
- ii. Suzanne, Enzo, Coco and Sandy re: refugee resources/help with Nila’s Friday activity – 4/1, 4/8, 4/29
- iii. Drop in? Sign up? Dates?
- iv. Self-contained – each week – similar thing each time
- v. Share resources with staff at PLC on Wednesday
- c. Brandy –
  - i. bunch of home testing kits
  - ii. Donation of toiletries – family struggling – Brandy reaching out to Jessie
- d. Comments, questions, concerns

Meeting adjourned at 6:47

### **Next Meeting:**

- Monday, May 23, 6:00-7:00 p.m.