

Director's Report for June 26, 2017

- 1.) Everyone is settled in their new locations. The Roper program has 128 children enrolled and that program is going very smoothly. Sarah has her office located at the school so she is readily available to staff and parents. The Preschool/Pre-K Program is now at full enrollment with 20 children. That program is also running smoothly. Sarah has been doing an excellent job of getting pictures posted to Facebook so that families can see all the fun the kids are having. This has been a great way to show people what we really do.
- 2.) We were able to sell a lot of items from Willard before demolition began. Conner Antiques came in and removed all the built in cabinetry, bulletin boards, doors, oak trim, etc. They gave us \$850.00. We were able to sell all the other kitchen cabinets and cabinets in the preschool room, refrigerators, stove, and other miscellaneous items. This gave us a grand total of almost \$1,500.00. I still have a reel to reel projector and an antique coffee pot for sale if you are interested.
- 3.) Give to Lincoln Day proved to be very successful. Our on-line donations were \$2,250.00 and off line donations were \$1,085.00. With the corporate sponsor match at \$369.83 our total for the day was \$3,704.83. This money is going to be used to purchase new furniture and equipment for the new child care rooms.
- 4.) Lyle Wheeler and I participated in an all day workshop sponsored by the Peter Kiewit Foundation titled, "Characteristics of High-Performing Boards". It was a great learning experience. I wish you all could have attended. We are hoping to present all of our new knowledge and strategies to you at the coming board meetings. Both Lyle and I felt that this training came to us at a perfect time. This will help us to look to the future for the Willard Community Center.
- 5.) United Way held their Day of Action on June 21st. Eleven volunteers from Pfizer came to our Roper summer program and brought out 80 books for all the kids and read to them for an hour. This is part of a strategy to get kids to continue to read during the summer so that they don't lose any reading skills and knowledge over the summer. The volunteers also got to see Science Week in action as the kindergarten through 1st grade learned about mixing colors and the 2nd through 3rd grade kids learned how to make different bubble shapes. A great time was had by all.