

## **March 15, 17 - PTA Meeting Minutes**

**Attendees:** Jennifer Steben, Lindsay Winkler, Amy Good, Meg Phillips, Jillian Stacy, Jackie Sweet, Amy Leighton, Janet Dillon, Pete Campbell & Kevin Musson

Meeting called to order 9:00am

**Topics:** March is reading month, Camp PR, Budget , teachers have until 4/1 to spend \$, Laurie wants to send personal email to those who have not spent \$.

What do we have left? Will vote on and discuss next meeting,  
Discuss Spring Events, Book Fair/Camp PR

Motion to approve minutes from last meeting –Janet Dillon , Amy Good seconds

### **Mini Grant approval**

Shannon Soenen –Requests Legos (STEM project) requesting \$900 for product, containers for storage, (? on containers for Lego Education Kits come with trays for storage)

- Meg to talk to Shannon about needs and product requests, cap at \$900
- Discussion on whether kits will be available to kids outside of 2<sup>nd</sup> grade
- Delay vote to allow Meg time to gather more information, possible email vote later

### **Kevin's Updates**

- Little Libraries installation at PR has been delayed due to weather, placement in loop area for student and parent convenience
- Amy Good to announce Little Library via social media
- Input for placements email sent out to parents, want classrooms set during Spring Break to allow for more time to focus on Kinders and Young 5's
- New ideas PR's Schedule: adding a second recess to the day, looking at specials schedule, class sizes, especially incoming 1<sup>st</sup> graders is of concern, where is the best place for Young 5 classroom, adding a new 2<sup>nd</sup> grade teacher along with a 1<sup>st</sup> grade teacher to reduce class size, looking to add some before school and summer programs, possible lab, Maker's Space getting large, rethink rooms and locations
- PR student growth numbers/data are great
- Updates to buildings: Exterior Lights and speaker systems, finish outside fields, etc.
- Tech: Goal is to get to a one to one device for technology for students, 65 short of this goal, looking into support from state money for Title I schools
- Open House for next year: Announced for August 30<sup>th</sup>, How can we make this event better? Larger space? Gymnasium? TV's running with school-focused videos, summer agenda item for new board, maybe leave out book fair, add a specific kinder/young 5 area during open house

### **Teacher Liason Updates: Pete Campbell**

- Virtual reality video in the works, summer cook out, Bake sale during Camp PR event

**Meg's Updates:**

- May 5<sup>th</sup> Book Swap, vols to work book swap
- Camp PR sign up to attend is doing great, food to be bought and stored by Jennifer, firewood is good, Jennifer bringing a fire pit, Janet has a second
- Meg is taking care of supplies for activities

**Amy Leighton- Book Fair:**

- Balance high \$2000?
- Look at birthday book balance, questions from teachers on what comes into the fair during the day, is there a way to send kids with money only? Parent volunteer to come and take the kids? Future meeting to discuss.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> grade junior volunteers being used this year, reading corner for students not buying books
- Need more daytime volunteers, another email too be sent this week
- Scholastic Bucks? Recognizing volunteers with bucks discussed for future?

**Amy Spooner Updates: via Jennifer Steben**

- Co-chair found for Auction –Valerie Alexander
- Donations needed for auction items, spread the word
- Scrip info. to be sent out soon, bench will need to be emailed about program
- Box Tops are going well, volunteers are doing a great job

**Spring Fundraiser / Auction:**

- Private showing of movie at Emagine Theater set for May 21, advertising will go out via social media and flyer sent home
- Movie/Social Chairs: Jennifer, Lindsay, Megan
- Auction Chairs: Amy Spooner, Kim Richards, Valerie Alexander
- Photos of items will be posted online ahead of event, auction will be set up at movie showing as well, fundraising goal is \$5000 with Auction being the main money-raiser
- Décor & mini glow in the dark favors to be determined (Lindsay), PR Movie to be shown on big screen before movie begins

**Jackie Sweet- Teacher Appreciation Week**

- Ideas in the works for the week, may want to do a Sign-Up for school supply donations
- Future thoughts via Janet to possibly have Appreciation events catered, ask for \$ donations instead of food, PayPal button?

**Election Process Updates:**

- Nomination committee: Janet Dillon, Cris Supina, Jillian Stacey
- Coordination needed to approve final slate and send out nomination updated form, Janet may have form from last year to use and update for this year. Target date for send out: next week at the latest, Vp of Vols to send out to members and bench asap.

- Decision to leave Grade Reps out of slate was discussed, at least for the Kinder rep
- Direction to fill positions that will be empty is most dire, with grade rep positions being last per PTA bylaws
- Kevin to email incoming parents info. about nomination forms
- Questions came up about how nominees and elected: nominated vs. self-nominations

Next PTA meeting: Thursday April 20<sup>th</sup> 9:00am

Meeting Adjourned at 10:32am