

PTP Minutes – May 2015
5/19/15

President Heather Azeltine brought the meeting to order and introductions were made. 11 parents and faculty were at the meeting.

Welcome/Introductions (Heather Azeltine):

Principal Report/Discussion Topics (Kim Grengs):

- Community Building Day is tomorrow, so have your child wear their Choose Kind shirt if they have one.
- Finishing NWEA testing this week.
- Working on class placement for next year. Lisa Schlessor will be 1st grade. Dubbels and Auge will loop with their classes to 2nd grade (students may loop with them if parents choose). Woody and Jensen will move with their 4th grade classes to 5th grade. Needham and Yorks will move from 5th grade to 4th grade.
- Over 800 students for next year. Requested one more section of Kindergarten (currently 5, which is 26 in each class). If approved, we'll need to determine where to put the class. Parent Q: what about the locker rooms? Quotes to remodel have been requested.
- Is email OK to announce student placement? Yes. If you don't receive emails ensure to contact the school and let them know so that they can ensure you are on the list.
- Still looking for Reading Corps applicants.
- The last day of school is June 2nd. School is out at 11:30am. Lunch will be provided and will be a bag lunch. Parent Q: why is this day a short day? Teachers need to get their requirements completed by a certain time before June 3rd, so the School Board was asked for the half day and it was approved.
- The Book Fair was awesome! Thank you.
- Teacher Appreciation was great!
- Modified lockdown today, requested by the Farmington Police due to suspicious activity at Rambling River Park. Activities continue as normal during a modified lockdown. Parent Q: what is the difference between a modified lockdown and a full lockdown? A full lockdown requires teaching to stop and for the teachers/students to get in a corner for safety.
- iPad collection is this Thursday.

Financial Report (Heather Azeltine):

- After \$5,000 saved for Spirit Wear for next year and \$5,000 saved for 2015-16 school year early funding requests, we have \$9,239 available in our account to be spent.

Funding Requests (Tani Helgemoe):

- Heather Q: Can Scholastic Dollars be used for Scholastic News? Heather will contact the Book Fair committee to determine if this is an option.
- Heather Q: Should we approve funding requests for next school year at this meeting, or wait until our first meeting in September? If it's something the teachers need in September and we have the budget, then we should approve it. Other requests should be tabled until the September meeting
- Mrs. Auge & Mrs. Hughes - 1st & 2nd grades - Scholastic News - \$1140
 - We will first pursue the option of using Scholastic Dollars to pay for the subscription. If not an option, then PTP will fund.
 - Motion to approve: 1st - Tom Wroblewski, 2nd - Heidi Beranek
 - Unanimous approval
- Mrs. Lindell-Woody – K-5 - Folk Dance Residency (Dancing Sue) - \$1950
 - Motion to approve: 1st - Tom Wroblewski, 2nd - Jen Cole
 - Unanimous approval
- Mrs. Lindell-Woody – 4th grade (120 students) - Dulcimer Building Project – \$800
 - Tabled until Sept 2015 meeting
- Two Kindergarten requests (Sunflower Supreme, Children's Museum: Ants) – Heather will contact the teachers to understand if they need the funds before Sept and if the number of students will increase. We believe they are spring events, so the requests were tabled until the Sept 2015 meeting.

- Heather's request: At the April meeting we discussed providing indoor recess carts. Would everyone approve using the current available funds to purchase these carts and stock them for next year?
 - Carts: 2 kindergarten carts and 2 for each house (total 6), \$125 per cart, \$800 total
 - Ideas to stock the carts: recess is only 20 minutes, so must be something students can easily begin to use. Ideas from the teachers include paper airplanes (maybe a template for the kids to use), magnetic builders, structure planks, dominoes, decks of cards, physical games (hula hoops, etc.), Mr. Caduff will provide a list of ideas from a STEM perspective
 - Amount requested: \$5,000 - \$800 for carts, \$4200 for activities/kits to stock the carts
 - Motion to approve: 1st - Jen Cole, 2nd - Tani Helgemoe
 - Unanimous approval

2015/16 PTP Position Elections (Heather Azeltine):

- Next week Heather will be sending an email to all parents detailing what PTP is and that there is an open President position, along with the top responsibilities and time commitment of the President
- Open positions for 2015/16:
 - President – no interest expressed at this point
 - Volunteer Coordinator – Kami Gocool (Sign-Up Genius) and Jeff Thill (PTP website) - No one opposed
 - PIE (Parents in Education) Coordinator – Stefanie Carlson and Jen Cole will co-chair - No one opposed
 - Pahl's Market Coordinator – tabled until next year, since it is a spring fundraiser
 - Script Co-Coordinator – no interest expressed at this point (Michelle Griffin will still handle for next year, but would like to have someone co-chair with her so that they can learn for 2016/17 school year)
 - Secretary: Sue Coccarelli - No one opposed
 - Treasurer: Tom Wroblewski - No one opposed
 - Fall Fundraiser: Tom Wroblewski - No one opposed
 - Free Money: Heidi Beranek - No one opposed
- Current positions, not open:
 - Vice President: Tani Helgemoe - No opposition to Tani continuing in her role
 - Pep Fest Coordinator: Marijane Cochnauer
- Spirit Wear Coordinator: Teresa Gibbs

Outdoor Learning (Cinda Current):

- Cinda would like to start up a small committee to discuss ideas on how to spend funds that are available for the Outdoor Learning Area. Suggestions:
 - What if we opened it up to families, not just parents?
 - Can we send out a sign-up form through Sign-Up Genius or send out an invitation for a meeting to invite parents/families who might be interested? Additional mulch is needed to be laid down for the current area, so what if we did an event in mid-June where families help to put down more mulch and then at the same time had a meeting to discuss participating in a committee?
 - What about an iNature Club, similar to the Computer Club or Knitting Club?
- The PTP approved that the \$800 budgeted for this year that has not been spent will be carried over to next year so that it can be used.

Next PTP meeting will be in September. Have a great summer!

Attachments:

PTP Treasury Report 2014-2015