

PTO Minutes

Tuesday, February 11, 2020

Meeting Call to order at 6:29

Welcome by President Stacey O'Keefe

Officers Present: Laura Ashston - Vice President, Kristin Harnish – Treasurer

Review of minutes

Approval of January minutes will take place at the March meeting.

President's Report

Upcoming Big events for remainder of school:

Auction – next meeting after PTO meeting

Talent Show coming up looking for help. If anyone is willing email Biz, Stacey O'Keefe, Stacey Feeley, Sarah Gano or PTO.

Star Writers coming: Krissi Payne, Stacey Steeno.

Former Secretary, Kristen Krantz, moved to a new school district and resigned position.

Laura Ashton moved to vote Kelly Forsyth in as new Secretary. Biz seconded.

Principal's Report

Celebrated Global Play Day last Wednesday. A time of no electronics, board games, collaboration... Powerful way to spend a day. Some classes did plays, some created cardboard structures, some practiced problem solving

ICSC group recognized by TCAPS Board of Ed on 2/10/20. Biz very proud of group who did all of the speaking explaining their work to the Board and each of them received a certificate. Last Friday in February is next ICSC event.

Carnival went well.

Student Council went to High School to observe a Student Senate meeting. EA students decided they needed committees, a treasurer, etc. Several leaders came from High School to observe EA Student Council Meeting to give suggestions. One more field trip to the High School "Student Leader" group to observe and get ideas.

Academics continue.

Conference attendance was great! Eastern expects 100% conference attendance either by phone or in person. Wrapping up a few last conferences.

Biz highlighted the opportunities to provide feedback for the new Superintendent search.

- Public Forum February 18, 2020 at 6pm at Central High School Auditorium and February 19, 2020 at 6pm in West Middle School Little Theater.
- Online survey available at www.tcaps.net/board/superintendent-search/

Treasurer's Report

Checking Account: \$22,776.07

Savings Account: \$10,553.84

Total Cash in the Bank: \$33,329.91

Total Income: \$2,680.63 (includes auction, interest & Spirit Wear)

Restricted funds: \$4,498.53 (Auction, Carnival, Child Care, Field Trip, Hospitality,

Committee Reports

Carnival Income: \$5,173.75

Total Expenses: \$1,459.49 (with some uncleared expenses)

Field Trip cost: \$1,650

Heather Asiala will collaborate with Fifth Grade Staff and students to decide how to best utilize leftover money after End-of-the-Year Fifth Grade items such as t-shirts, DVD?, etc. are paid for.

Auction: wrapping up donation period - lots of great donations already in or coming; Classroom art projects are coming along; Vendors are booked; Auctioneer from last year booked again; Karaoke after auction; Ticket sales going well!

Lower (K – 3) Elem. Talent Show is April 24th

Chairs are Stacey O'Keefe, Stacey Feely & Sarah Gano

Try-Outs: March 20, 24

Practice Dates: April 8, 9, 17, 21

Old Business

Solar Panels: PTO decided to decline to hold funds for solar panels due to tax purposes as well as the desire to maintain the "field trip" opportunity to High School.

Mary Fak: FriYay – students putting together teacher snack requests. She put together a list of requests that will be fulfilled by PTO.

Pop can drive: some slips need to be taken in. Money donated may not be as much as last year but there are lots of slips.

Thank you Shanna Girrback for Chairing Conference Meals! Teachers and Staff truly appreciate having a hot meal before conferences!

New Business

Report by Mr. Cooper: He and Mrs. Nelson attended MISTEM: Engineering is Elementary Conference. Each got a kit (Like "Force and Motion") that can be used in the classroom. Both submitted a grant to purchase 2 more 3D printers for school. Grant will be decided by Friday. One of the current non-functioning printers will be sent over to High School for repair.

Next Meeting:

March 10, 2020

Adjournment at 7:07