

February PTSA Meeting Mins

1. Call to order @ 9:35
2. January meeting mins stand as is
3. President's Report
 - a. Thank you to 2nd grade parents for their contribution to monthly staff lunch
 - b. 3rd grade will be March monthly staff lunch
 - i. Going to be burgers, etc. (have a lot of leftovers we can utilize)
 - c. 4th grade will be April
 - d. May will be teacher appreciation
 - e. 5th grade will be June
 - f. Issaquah Schools Foundation
 - i. \$22,000 raised for feed the students
 - ii. Stemposium is in 2 days from 6-8 at Issaquah High School
 1. Going to be a great event
 2. Mrs. Kanaga will have a booth
 - iii. Nourish Every Mind will host a breakfast and lunch in May.
 1. Lunch is May 10th with breakfast being a couple of weeks after.
4. Treasurer's Report
 - a. Motion to add \$400 to budget for Spelling Bee. Was in an all school grant last year and was an honest oversight by the PTSA.
 - i. Dara moves to add to budget
 - ii. Annie seconds the motion
 - iii. Discussion:
 1. Question raised what the \$400 is used for. Answer was registration with the national Spelling Bee, trophies, ribbons and prizes for kids.
 2. Question raised, can we use the \$150 box tops income towards the Spelling Bee (Amy Stromberg would like to have the money raised by box tops publicized). Agreed we can discuss with Amy, but doesn't take away the need to vote to put the \$400 expense in the budget.
 - iv. Catharine called for a vote – motion passed as stated.
 - b. Mid-Year Review: Presented by Karissa
 - i. Review done on 2/5. Everything looked great, right on target
 - ii. Meredith provided needed information
 - iii. Control over our online assets needs to improve
 1. Passwords, etc.
 2. State standing rule is "passwords need to be changed with each change of treasurer"
 3. Reassurance of accuracy is done by the monthly reconciliation done by Meredith
 4. Suggestion made to add some measures to our standing rules
 5. Catharine suggests we have a process to hand off passwords from executive board and committee chairs.
 6. All contracts should go to the treasurer
5. All-School Grant: voting will be postponed until March's meeting

6. Nominating Committee Election

- a. Members include:
 - i. Marcie
 - ii. Shannon
 - iii. Danielle
 - 1. Vote to elect proposed members to the Nominating Committee
 - a. Move by Karissa
 - b. Seconded by Mary
 - 2. No discussion
 - 3. Kamala called for a vote; the motion passed as stated.

7. Principal's Report

- a. Washington state goal was a 17-1 classroom ratio last year.
- b. We are at a 24-1 is our buildout
- c. Classroom breakdowns
 - i. Kindergarten 4 classes
 - ii. First 5 classes
 - iii. Second 4 classes
 - iv. Third 5 classes
 - v. Fourth 4 classes
 - vi. Fifth 5 classes
- d. With new classroom allocations we will be keeping our current staff numbers
- e. 2 classes will remain in a portable
 - i. Staff has been tasked with suggestions on who goes where with the parameters of no grade is going to be all alone
- f. We have a long term sub in ELL until April for Mrs. Ayres
 - i. Dara asked for information so we can send Mrs. Ayers something from the PTSA
- g. Kindergarten orientation is tonight. Teachers will be there.
- h. Construction Update:
 - i. March 5th front office will be completed.
 - ii. March 12th move will happen
 - iii. Gym and LRC scheduled to be completed over spring break
 - iv. 6 classrooms to be finished this summer.
 - v. Construction will be picking and completing low hanging fruit thorough out the breaks.
 - vi. Fire inspection took place will return for repeat inspection
 - 1. Extra paper on walls and in hallway a concern.
 - vii. Portable shuffle: 4 classes will be coming inside and 2 will remain after construction is completed
 - viii. Question raised, could the extra portable space be used for art?
- i. It's testing season: teachers will be reaching out to parents to remind
 - i. After spring break is testing from 5th-3rd in that order.
 - ii. Dara suggested signage to remind volunteers to keep voices low
- j. Haven't received and grant requests from teachers

- k. Principal Terry has interest in money for international flags representing student population and reading kits for grades 3-5; will fill out grant request form for consideration from PTSA.
8. Committee Reports
- a. Communications:
 - i. Yearbook: pictures due the end of March.
 - ii. Peach Jar flyers need approval; Shannon has learned process.
 - b. Programs:
 - i. Student Council: everything is running fine
 - ii. Science Fair:
 - 1. Moved to March 2nd 5:30-7:30
 - 2. K-4 drop off on March 1st
 - 3. 5th grade will walk over projects during the day on Friday
 - 4. Pacific Science Center: "Blood and Guts" will be Friday
 - 5. Hands on science tables will be set up in the back of the MPR
 - 6. Gym will host the student's booths
 - 7. Information has already been posted to Facebook.
 - 8. Suggestion made to have a room parent blast sent out
 - iii. Spelling Bee Recap: went well, great job!
 - c. Fundraising/Membership
 - i. Auction Update:
 - 1. buy tickets!
 - 2. 50 teachers tickets have been donated
 - 3. Still need a volunteer to do the Auction catalog
 - a. It's more on an organizational project than artistic
 - d. Service and Recognition
 - i. Awards:
 - 1. Golden Acorn/Outstanding Advocate nominees underway
 - 2. 4-5 volunteered for Staff Appreciation week. Annie has put together a theme
 - e. Art Docent Update
 - i. Going Great
 - ii. About to spend a large majority of their budget
 - iii. Just purchased glass
 - iv. About to purchase clay and glaze
 - v. Starting in March will be going over next year's budget
 - vi. Let teachers know, the kiln schedule on target
9. Adjourn @ 11:00