

PTA General Membership Meeting Tuesday, February 7, 2023

- I. Call to Order 7:01pm
- II. President's Report – Kim Tracy: Where does our money go? ICS, Fun Run, Popcorn, Bulletin Boards, Class Parties, STEAM Night, Staff Meals, Spirit Wear, Track & Field, Holiday Shop, Special Ed incentives, Scholastic subscriptions, Volunteers, Book Fair, Grants, Dine & Donate, Teacher Appreciation, Multicultural Night, etc.
- III. Vice President's Report – Kate Nayak: Nothing new to report
- IV. Treasurer's Report – Komal Shakoor: See attached notes below.
- V. Membership Report – Amol Nayak: Numbers are increasing, but we are still not at pre-covid numbers. We need to raise awareness.
- VI. Secretary's Report – Landon Setty: Minutes approved.
- VII. Standing Chair Reports
 - a. Fundraising – Bridget McKernan & Kate Nayak
 - i. Dine & Donate: Noodles & Co February 19th use promo code GIVING25
 - ii. Trivia Night: April 29th. We are looking for volunteers and will start planning soon.
 - iii. BoxTops: Can scan receipts or email in/attach digital receipts. Easy money for the school.
 - b. Social – Lisa Fortino
 - i. Multicultural Night: April 18th
 - ii. OBOS: Details to follow after spring break.
 - iii. FGF: Planning meeting coming soon. Look for email if you would like to help.
 - c. Educational Enrichment – My Troung & Stephanie Warner
 - i. Science Fair: March 8th 6:30-8pm. Volunteers needed for set up and tear down.
 - ii. Spelling Bee: April. Communication will be coming soon.
 - iii. After School Enrichment (ASE): Info coming out soon. 6 week session with approx. 9 classes offered.
 - d. School Morale – Kelly Stewart
 - i. Assemblies: Just had an SEL assembly and The Magic of Science assembly is coming in March.
 - ii. Teacher Meal: March during spring conferences
 - iii. Staff Appreciation: First week in May. More info coming soon.
 - e. Service – Tara Christman: Not Present

- VIII. IPPC Report – Bridget McKernan
 - a. Dr. Tally spoke at last meeting about the facilities study for the 10-15 year plan.
 - b. State gave district \$500,000 for mental health needs. The money will be used to create clinics in 5 of our schools to provide a way to support families that need it. Someone wrote a grant and we got another \$200,000ish.
 - c. Young Hearts for Life program. Parent volunteers are trained to do EKG machines and HS kids get heart readings for free twice in HS. Since 2009, 400 students needed follow ups and 190 previously undiagnosed heart issues have been found.
 - d. Playground: May Watts scheduled to get a new playground this summer
 - e. Winter Wisher: the district raised \$8,125 in gift cards to help needy families.
 - f. IPEF Fine Arts Gala: March 10th
 - g. Valley Runway: Collects prom dresses and partners with Men's Warehouse for kids that don't have money to buy outfits for prom
- IX. PDAC/PDAC ADAPT Report – Jessica Santoyo & Megan Schultz: Next meeting coming up Feb 23rd from 7-9pm. Pre-registration required.
- X. IPPA Report – Joe Wax: Not Present
- XI. Nominating Committee – We have members from the board: Landon, Kim, Kelly. Looking for one more person from membership at large. Contact Kim if you are interested.
- XII. Principal's Report & Introduction of Katie Kempski – Brian LeCrone & Katie Kempski
 - a. Assessments: School has been administering a lot of assessments recently-ELL, PA, iReady, IAR. We do use the results. They impact what we work on at school.
 - b. Building Improvements: LMC got duct work done for AC that will run in spring. Gym and MPR will never be air conditioned. New vinyl flooring to be installed in gym and MPR.
 - c. Transition Process for new Principal: Mrs. Kempski is familiar with May Watts and was hired 8 years ago as a reading improvement teacher and then transitioned into the interventionist role. She is and will be in contact with Brian for any questions. Went through a vigorous interview process to secure the job.
 - d. Welcome and Introduction of Katie Kempski
- XIII. Meeting Adjourned at 7:45pm

Attachment 1 – Treasurer’s Report

As of today 2/7/2023, THE PTA BANK ACCOUNT BALANCE IS \$23,529.58. WE STARTED THE SCHOOL YEAR WITH \$18,556.

SOME BIGGER EXPENSES THAT THE PTA HAS PAID RECENTLY IS \$3,000 in GRANTS (the new and improved parking signs and cones you see outside at pick up and drop off, money for service club, purchased a sound wall, and dulcimer project for music classes); paid \$1,400 for yearly scholastic subscription for the kids, seasonal parties (the Valentine's Day party on 2/14 is our last PTA sponsored party for the year!) , and the Fall conference Teacher Meal.

Upcoming expenses are: \$2,500 for One Book One School; Spring Conferences Teacher Meal; Staff Appreciation week, Multicultural Night, Young Authors Breakfast, and Kinderpress.

We really hope to generate additional income for the PTA for the rest of the year and to start off the next school year strong!

Hoping to do this with another Dine and Donate Fundraiser (Noodle's and Company on 75th St. on Thursday 2/9 from 4 to 8; May Watts get 25% of each sale!). This is purely a fundraising activity with no expenses incurred by the PTA so let's spread the word and get a lot of people to dine there or get take out on Thursday!

Then we have our big end of the year fundraiser, Parent Trivia Night on April 29th!

Science Fair is coming up on March 8th and there is a \$5 entry fee for non PTA members to offset costs and to hopefully encourage more membership!

Spelling Bee is also coming up in April and hope to generate some income, to again offset some costs.