

Wood Gormley Elementary PTC

General Meeting Minutes, 8/11/2019, 3 :45 pm

Board Members:

Present: Denise Thomas, President, Audrey Liddy, Treasurer, Christy Wood, Fundraising Chair, Patricia Rosen, Secretary, Ana Archuleta, Winter Events Chair, Bobby Beals, Communications Chair, Laura Jeffery, Principal, Carrie Wood, Fall Events Co-Chair

Absent: Rachel Stofocik, Vice President, Amy Fries: Fall Events **Co**-Chair

Parent members: Jennifer

Proceedings:

- *Meeting called to order* at 3:39 pm by President
- May and July minutes approved
- Agenda approved

Principal Report

New secretary to start this week. Three new teachers: SET, Band, and 3rd grade. Open House to be held August 22, 6-7:30 pm. Curriculum is in place to start the year: Eureka Math, Readers' and Writers' Workshop. Teacher training wrapped up on August 6.

We will have to secure the stumps in the outdoor classroom at least annually. Bobby volunteered to come tomorrow and dig the holes deeper/secure the stumps.

We have 2 new drinking fountains where water bottles may be filled, one at each end of the school.

Treasurer Report

Movie night is coming up; we have the invoice for \$813.

\$2000 stipend is available to be distributed throughout the year, based at PTC discretion, based on secretary's performance.

QuickBooks conversion to online has occurred. There is an annual fee; the plan is to try the online version for a year, which makes it more portable and transferrable to new Treasurers since only a log in is required (rather than a computer with the software).

Bylaws/ Procedural Meeting Overview for New Members

Currently, we are allowed to vote by email only up to expenditures of \$500. There is concern among Board members that since we rarely have a quorum (majority of Board, which is 6 or 7, depending on whether Co-Chairs are counted as 1 or 2), plus an equal number of general members. In recent memory, we have never had more than 2-3 general members attend, and more often no one from the general membership attends.

Bylaws amendments will need to be made by a majority vote of the general membership. This topic will be discussed at future meetings and if the Bylaws are to be amended, a committee will be formed.

Vote on School Message Boards

Total cost will be \$1093.97. Since we cannot vote today due to insufficient attendance, we will pay for the 2 outdoor message boards through the PTC Operating Expenses (\$396.99) and the Playground/ Outdoor (\$696.98).

Communications Chair- Update on Website

Bobby will put the Calendar and update board member bios on the website, as well as remove the "Brick" button.

Bobby uses Mail Chimp to send PTC emails to families, always blind copy. Ms. Jeffery will send Bobbie the Parent 1 and Parent 2 emails. Duplicates are deleted automatically.

Please send Bobby any documents to be distributed and he will send out an email and update the website, as well.

Hard copies of the Principal's Newsletter will NOT be sent out this year. They will be emailed, posted on the website, and posted on the outdoor message boards.

Board members are encouraged to look at the PTC website and give any feedback for design/ content.

Report on Status of Morning Coffee for First Days of School

Tuesday, 8 am, after meeting in gym

Thursday, 7:50 am

Bobby and Christy will bring coffee and others have already been asked to bring baked goods.

After School Club Update- Vote on Spanish Club

Judith Mace has offered to do a Spanish Club: 4 week sessions in the fall and spring, \$8 per child per class (\$32 for session). This proposal was different from the original. Members suggested looking for alternatives that may be longer-term and less expensive. Denise Thomas will reach out to court interpreters to see if anyone is interested. Ms. Jeffery will reach out to teachers to see if they know anyone who might want to teach.

Other club updates:

Chinese language club: instructor not available this year.

Cello will continue, beginning and advanced (Monday and Wednesday). SFYSA bills families separately.

Ms. Papafoutis will teach choir on Tuesdays.

Coding/Robotics - Wednesdays.

Terry Blackman - Shakespeare.

Dienke Nauta - graphic novel, to start later in the fall.

Girls on the Run (?)

Open House- Volunteer Posters, Flyers and Q/A

Tables will be set up in the lobby with trifold boards to promote family involvement in planned events/ongoing activities: Pet Parade, Panther Run, Snowflake Drive (Audrey), Movie Night,/Fall Festival Carrie), Field Day (Patricia), Art Class/ Art Night (Mary), After-school Clubs (Rachel), Lunch Duty/Recess Duty, Yearbook (Laura Jeffery/ Ms. Felix), PE/Library (Bobby)

All dates are on the calendar already and should be included on posters.

There will be a sign-up sheet at each station.

Additionally, handouts with general information about each opportunity will be available and will be sent out via email.

Spirit Sales/Fundraising

Santa Fe Screen Printers will do snap-back hats, T-shirts, &/or sweatshirts- we just need to send the design/s. Stickers were also suggested as a popular item. We would like stickers ready for Movie Night, if possible, or Fall Festival if not. Bobby will submit a couple of designs.

If we have the screen made (around \$65-70), kids could make their own shirts, perhaps in the art classroom. This would need to be discussed with Ms. Olson.

Other fundraising plans:

Read-a thon

Dinner out (restaurant agrees to give a percentage of sales on a particular night): options include Cowgirl, Il Vicino, Papa Murphy and Pizza 9

Book It (Pizza Hut)

Pet Parade

We need a theme- last year it was “Welcoming Aliens from Across the Universe”. Essentially, we let the community know to come, dress up, and bring (well-behaved) pets, if desired. It will be September 7, the weekend before Movie Night. \$20 registration for school. First come, first serve starting at 7 am, usually

meet up at Alameda and Paseo by the former NMSA. Denise will send an email about potential themes that kids can vote on.

Fall Event Chairs- Update on Movie Night

6:30 pm on Friday the 13th. Carrie will make a list of potential movies for kids to vote on. Suggestions include:

Goonies

Ghostbusters

Hocus Pocus

Batteries not Included

Carrie will look into pre-pay/pre-order pizzas; we will also have salad, but less than last year, as we had too much.

VIP seating raffle will be held again.

Fall Festival will be October 19th. Hannah and Joey Padilla will be approached, to see if they might consider creating their fantastic Haunted House again.

Basement clean-up: Saturday, August 17 at 10 AM

Meeting adjourned at 4:50 pm by President.

Next meeting

September 12, 8 AM