

PTA Meeting Minutes February 4, 2016

Excused: Allison Plummer, Mary Thomas

In Attendance: Dr Higgins, Mr Gallant, Veronica Reginato, Elizabeth Sweat, Barb Cullenbrine, Jen Fairbanks, Jenelle Haynie, Amy Peterson, Ms Rose, Miquelin Smith, Michelle Beckstead

Call to Order 9:40am and Pledge: Amy Peterson

January 14th meeting minutes approved by Veronica, seconded by Amy

Agenda stands as written

Board Reports:

1. Pres-Elect's report: Amy Peterson
 - i. Nominating Committee Results:
 - a. President: Amy Peterson
 - b. Pres-Elect: open
 - c. Treasurer: Lysie Smith (maybe)
 - d. Secretary: Mary Thomas
 - e. Teacher VP: Ms. Rose
 - f. Admin VP: Dr. Higgins
 - ii. Amy is sending home flyers with more specific job descriptions to educate and encourage volunteers.
2. Treasurer's report: Jenelle Haynie
 - i. Please purchase PTA items on separate receipt than personal items. Please submit within 30 days and then cash your check immediately.
3. Principal's report: Dr. Higgins
 - i. SCC Meeting items:
 - a. Student Council process will be more streamlined next year. Less students will run to be on the council. They are limited in the number of items they can hand out during their campaign (75). They will campaign to 5th and 6th next year and then just 6th the following years. Students will be assigned positions after they are elected.
 - b. Bus study was done for the homes on the west side of Highland Blvd. It was determined by the Alpine School District that they will add a bus stop for Timberline and Lone Peak in that neighborhood. There will not be one for Ridgeline. The SCC is writing a letter to Highland City requesting that they provide a path to get those kids safely to school. Additional stops for TMS and LP will also be added to Skye Estates when there are more homes.
 - c. Another classroom trailer will be brought in for next year. Most likely 6th and another grade.
 - d. Preschool registration was delayed but the school has sent home information in multiple forms to get the word out.
 - ii. Miquelin asked Dr. Higgins what the policy is for cancelling school on snow days. District sends out spotters at 6am who make the call.
4. Teacher's report: Ms. Rose
 - i. Thank you for the teacher dinners. The teachers love the extra love and effort for their behalf.

Commissioner and Chair Reports:

5. Leadership: Mary Thomas
 - i. Thought: As we think and talk about PTA with enthusiasm and love our school will be filled with action and we will build an amazing community.
6. Community Involvement: Michelle Beckstead
 - i. Teacher dinners are awesome. Café Rio donated Thursday night and parents volunteered to bring food on Wednesday. We are so grateful for Michelle!!
 - ii. A discussion was had about updating the teacher's lounge. Dr Higgins said he would find out what the district guidelines. Several parents are willing to paint, sew new curtains, etc.
 - iii. We want to acknowledge on of our bus drivers, Richard, for his excellent service. Barb will write up an application for the Advocacy Award. Discussed other possible ways to thank him. Miquelin will collect notes from the students to put into a book for him.
7. Education: Veronica Reginato
 - i. Rocky's Readers kicks off today with a short assembly. There are fun incentives and rewards for kids and teachers. This year we are adding the preschool and the teacher's minutes. We are still looking for some donated food/meals/prizes. Carolyn Myers was asked to help. Veronica will send out a sign up for volunteers to come once a day to collect tickets and hand out prizes. Should only take an hour each day. Amy Davis is making new signs for the front kiva to track the minutes. The final assembly will be the week after battle of the books.
8. Health and Safety:
 - i. Nova update – the program is complete. We will most likely not have a graduation this year. Discussed putting that money towards 6th grade celebration.
9. Fundraising:
 - i. Spirit Friday update – student council is running it, PTA to provide an adult to chaperone Rocky at lunch
 - ii. Box Tops- still feel like we are underutilizing this resource. We are grateful to the volunteers running it. Do they need any assistance? There were no representatives at the meeting so we will discuss again.
 - iii. 178 yearbooks have been sold so far. Ridgeline has purchased 300.
10. Education:
 - i. Battle of the Books

Additional Items:

11. Upcoming Events:
 - i. Feb 2-5 Book Fair
 - ii. Feb 3-4 Teacher Dinners
 - iii. Feb 19 D&D 2nd Grade
 - iv. Feb 29- March 4 Battle of the Books

Next meeting: 9:30am Thursday, March 3, 2016

Meeting Adjourned: 10:45am