

Committee Meeting

Date: 3/8/2023

Location: Lake Youngs Elementary School

Attendance: Ahn Cao, Joan Relph, Yvette Ramirez, Dr. H, Christy Statton, Jessica Kessler, Sam Byrd, Kristin Clingan-Ray, Keith Burdette, Jennifer Patterson

6:07 – call to order

It has been a busy month and books fair seemed to go really well. Slightly shorter hours due to conferences, but the hope for next year is to do book fair during conference week.

Read across America night – it was very low key but very pleasant. Lots of activities going on and really fun.

Approve meeting minutes

Jessica motions to approve the minutes and Yvette seconds. All in favor

Treasure reports

The way Apex works is the whole total gets sent to us and we pay them for their portion so we made over \$15,000

See Treasurer's report

Hospitality – we bought plates, bowls, napkins, and gloves that everyone can use. They are all stored in the cares room for everyone to use.

Will we get an official room for next year? Per Dr. H we should know by the end of April if we will be getting a room

Dr. H met with the window people and they already have the plan for the glass services in the building, it will feel safer and they will also be redoing the roof.

We can explore options of what to do with what is in the outdoor enhancement account.

Principle report

Next week we are training our staff on SBA for 3rd -5th grade. This is for state account purposes, but in terms of how kids are progressing we have the iReady assessment but that is not all grades.

Next week is classified employee's week – specifically for office staff, paras, and custodial, pretty much everyone in the school except for teachers.

We are really getting excited about the festival of cultures on April 28th. We got 47 high school volunteers from Kent Ridge. This is a potluck, so we will need people to make a list of what is in each food item for allergies. We are encouraging everyone to wear their cultural outfits. We are going to start pushing our advertising soon.

Gaga Ball has been a real big hit, but if only we had a field that didn't get muddy...

We will know more specifically what will be available at the end of April for next year.

Dr. H is good if we do a textile drive, we are planning on doing this in April

Founder's Day

This is honoring the founding of PTA back in the Day. This is at Green River Community College. We have a small budget, but anyone who wants to go is welcome to go. The tickets are \$55 each, but we prioritize Dr H to go since it is his last year, outstanding educator winner, and golden acorn winner. Nomination forms went out this week.

We encourage teachers to nominate a teacher who is on their way out with a 5th or 6th grader this year. We encourage winners of the awards to go.

This is a fundraising dinner and they have speakers. Handful of the executive board is going, it is May 19th, the night before family prom.

We do a plaque and a basket. We have a really easy basket this year, we have grill master this year. We have money set aside for our basket this year. If anyone wants to donate, please feel free but if not, we have a budget for this.

Science night

Eric and Carolyn have taken over this, it will be May 11th. They are working on building a cool science event for this. The school does not have plans to use the remainder of the assembly budget this year, so there were some discussions to use the rest of their budget for Science on Wheels. Christy has contacted the Science Center and she is still waiting to hear back from them.

The goal is to have science on wheels sometime during the week of May 11th.

Nominating committee

We have to have a nominating committee for the executive board per the PSTA Law. We need to get started on this, but can not be someone who is currently on the executive board. We need to have a form with these nominations as well.

We need to check who can or cannot be on the nominating committee.

There are a lot of little rules, but one rule is that you can only be in the same role on the executive board for two consecutive years. We are always open to anyone who wants to join the executive board. Christy can't be president and Christina can't be Treasure next year. The way the board works legally is that Christy can't be president, but she can keep doing the stuff she has been doing aside from running the meetings and agendas for the meetings. We need someone to be in the president role. The executive board is not scary, but if you are interested, please let us know. This is the time to start thinking about next year and what you want to do for next year. If you have friends, its time to start encouraging them for next year.

Financial review

Financial review was completed last week and it went seamlessly! Thank Jen and Brad!

Committee updates

Sylar met with Grasslake last week to walk them through the gaga pit. He is going to move forward with the sensory walk.

Yvette is looking for two people to do art docent next year and hopefully getting one person before she does the art order. I am sending out another recruitment email about being an art docent and now you don't have to show the vaccine requirement anymore. I would really like to see everything get moved before the end of the school year and I can help get things moved to the new room for PTSA.

The 5th and 6th grade party is off the ground and they are going to do a really good job! It is going to be a good thing that it is combined because it is going to be quiet a big deal! Want to talk to Karen in the office to make sure we have the correct date.

Grizzly Readers needs a volunteer to help give out prizes on Fridays from 1145-2ish. It is about every other Friday that we do it.

Snack and supply drive next week with Bingo and feeding the Weedle. What they really want too is classroom supplies like notebooks, crayons, water, juices, snacks. We are going to be better about putting out nut free and dairy free options. We are asking people to bring something to bingo if they are going to come.

Club night – we were going to have club night this month, but we are looking at getting that rescheduled next month. Cat would love some more help if you are interested in joining her.

Staff Appreciation – May 8th-May 12th is teacher appreciation week. I could use some more help specifically during teacher appreciation week. We are thinking of a taco bar and a self-care day, but looking for more suggestions on what to do.

We should reorder a coin counter for next year and a couple carts

It would be awesome if we had a volunteer party at the end of the year at someone's house and have a potluck.

It would be great with all the events going on to get more people involved and how are we celebrating our volunteers.

Levi/Bond on April 3rd the strategic planning committee they are looking for new people.

Student Showcase is on June 2nd with the Art Walk. Christy would love for the kids to be in lead of the art walk and take lead on the talent show.

March 16th we have staff appreciation and bingo/supplies drive

7:44 – meeting adjourned