

Polaris PTO Meeting Minutes
6pm May 8, 2017

Call to Order: Welcome and introductions

Minutes: Review of last meeting.

Board Reports:

Chair's Report:

Vice Chair's Report:

Treasurer's Report:

Will send out one last reminder for Annual Fund, at 81% of our goal.

Over \$20k came in from Romancing the Vine.

PTO should give a nice gift to Jay Vasconcellos for doing Yearbook.

\$10K of STEAM money available.

\$90K ask for paras.

Still have almost \$68K after all expenses.

Thank you Megan for 3 years of service as Treasurer!

Volunteer Coordinator:

New Parent Night was a good turnout, got good feedback.

Work on bullet list of talking items for next year.

Working on Ambassador list, still need more families.

Room parents need list of new families for summer playdates.

Showcase, a lot of moving parts, organized chaos should go well, need volunteers to clean up!

Field Day is next Friday May 19th, sign ups are up.

Romancing the Vine Chair:

Meet up after this meeting for wrap up thoughts, comments, etc.

Staff support to help, space was a little small and acoustics are bad, but it's free.

Could use iPads next year and have remote bidding.

Live auction needs to be louder, better PA system, bigger personality.

Donations for the auction items can be more opened up to the general population.

Will be rebranding, changing the name of the event.

It's hard for teachers on weekends but would like to see more teacher attendance.

Thank you Cedra for your hard work, it was an amazing success!

Electives:

We had a great year, so well organized.

Should be easy position to fill.

Melinda will be sorely missed!

Principal's Report:

If you know any parents that would be interested in the Electives Coordinator position.

We are busy, teachers are still engaged, still planning lessons and hard at work.

Teachers feel very fortunate, taken care of.

Diversity is up! Solid number to come.

Movie "Gifted" is booked at the Pavilions!

Enrollment total for next year is slightly higher, 333 to 339

Staff is filled:

3rd grade Megan Deneen, 3rd grade Alisha Poleccio is a Math Fellow, 4th grade Katie Allen, 5th grade Shana Galleso

Teacher's Report:

Thank you for the appreciation week!

Food, coffee, massage, flowers.

Find out what the teacher want, we have \$700 more to spend.

Form for teacher asks will be ready by the fall.

Unfinished business:

Take a vote for Vice Chair and Secretary for next year.

Nominate Kara Chitwood for Vice Chair, seconded, all in favor, no one opposed.

Nominate Melanie Chenard, seconded, all in favor, none opposed.

Next year's budget proposal approval:

\$5000 for Spring Showcase, last year made \$9400

Motion to approve, seconded, all approved, none opposed.

New Business:

2017-18 calendar:

Biggest concern is all events up to Jogathon, Aug 18th back to school night.

Work around curriculum night, last year it was after Labor Day.

Grade Level Parties, only need 5 hosts, Tim will coordinate.

Jog-a-thon is permit driven.

T-shirt cycle change, have been doing it at the end of the school year, but then when new people come they don't have one, we should do t-shirt drive at the beginning of the year,

Also need a new person to run it, Ilene Bloom is stepping down.

Outstanding volunteers recognition: Cedra Goldman and Jamie Davis and Vanessa Pierce

Next Meeting:

Monday June 5th at Colin's house and August 28th, no Sept meeting and then October 2.