Polaris PTO Meeting Minutes September 8, 2014

Attending: Angela Brown, Melanie Chenard, Tammy Chamberlain, Kara Chitwood, Jill Davis, Amber Fitzpatrick, Cedra Goldman, Jane Hartgrove, Karin Johnson, Molly Kirschling, Lisa Mortell, Debra Nelson, Ann Reidy, Kevin Reidy, Megan Rosenzweig

Meeting called to order at 6:05pm by PTO president Jane Hartgrove.

1. Budget presented by Megan Rosenzweig and Kevin Reidy

- Current and immediate past treasurer presented current year budget with past three years of data
- Estimating net income of \$5K on a net basis
- Para and Intern expenses are the largest line items, but are going down because of more money available in the general fund. DPS also is funding more.
- There is a \$6,500 line item for equipment; \$1,500 of that is for Kindergarten chairs. The rest is for other school needs as they arise over the course of the year.
- Income was up last year thanks to Jogathon and yearbook increases.

Megan Rosenzweig – proposed that 2014-15 budget be approved. The motion was seconded by Jane Hartgrove and was unanimously approved by voice vote.

2. Communications

- Principal Johnson's report:
 - Rebecca McKinney from DPS is now heading GT programs.
 - Coffees with the principal have been going very well she had a coffee with Carmel Hill Foundation this week (they have provided lots of technology and books for AR program). Coffee with drumming is coming up.
 - Gifted Development Center will provide a speaker for an upcoming coffee. This along with parent library is a great resource.
 - Great start to the year. Looking at ways to build on our school's success. Teachers are focusing on bringing academic language into the classroom.
- <u>Information for Parents</u>: Budget information should be available on the website (both narrative and line item budgets) along with PTO minutes.
- <u>Website</u>: Volunteer Coordination chairs will ask committee heads to will review their sections of the website and see what needs to be changed. Teachers will be asked to update their quicklinks as well.

3. Events

- Review of upcoming events led to a discussion of Grandparents/Special Friends Day on Nov. 20. Karin will work with teachers to determine good classroom activities. PTO will explore having photographer on hand.
- PAF Kickoff is scheduled for Oct. 4. It was brought to PTO's attention that Yom Kippur ends that night, so the committee is exploring moving it to Oct. 11.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:32pm.