

# Minutes

## Sunset View Elementary PTO Meeting Tuesday, December 12 3:30pm

**Attendees:** Alyssa Sterne, Teresa Santoy, Jenn Coe, Katie Zielke, Diana Cunningham, April Jordan, Kristen Davis, Nick Paulakis, Debbie Pappas, Mari Karnesky, Heidi Guizar, Lesley Bryner, Beth Pirello, Jess Gandy, Danielle Craigen, Tammy Fyer

Welcome

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Old Business

- Approve Minutes from Previous Meeting
  - Question was asked, where do we see these minutes. Posted in the staff lounge and online.
- Katie – motioned, Kristen 2<sup>nd</sup> Vote - I's – 16 No - 0
- Candy Gram – Volunteers
  - Alyssa recapped that we would offer to do Mustang bucks and real money to send a little message with either a candy or a trinket with a little greeting.
  - Looking to get a small committee to work with this.  
Willing to help - April Jordan, Jess Gandy, Lesley Bryner, Beth Pirello, Danielle Craigen
  - Jess inquired if it would be okay to bring a tag-a-long (young child) Heidi said that she would have to know more logistics but perhaps if you have a small child you could do something for the group that would be “at home.”
  - Katie asked if it would be preorder or if it would all be done completed

Principal's Report

Heidi

- Internet Safety Presentation
  - Recapped the presentation that Cottonwood had and suggesting that we will do that in place of the February PTO meeting but in the evening. It is put on by Officers from the Richland Police Department
- Safety at Pick Up
  - Some concerns have been raised regarding parking in the back of the building. Remember to follow the signs and regular rules of the road such as not parking in the yellow curbed areas. It is hard for us to enforce safety when kids are asked by their parents to break the rules.
  - A second concern is Deschutes & Center Parkway crosswalk, Dave Bond (superintendent has asked the city to add a 4<sup>th</sup> crosswalk).

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We don't have crosswalk attendants due to the lack of staffing. If we could have volunteers to help cover for 15 min before school and after school – even if it is just one day a week.

- It is encouraged for students to cross down at the blinking light
  - Parents shared that they have seen this as an issue. Parents think the kids may be a little unsure of when to cross and drivers get impatient waiting for kids to decide.
- New Mentor Program
- Looking to start a male positive role model (Watch Dogs – Dad's of Great students) was done at her old school. We wouldn't have to do their program but if we could get something going to get some positive male role models in
  - A mom suggested looking into asking Ignite Youth Mentoring
  - Alyssa suggested that we also pump this idea up at the Internet safety night as there maybe more dads in attendance at that night.
  - Not a lot of time, perhaps once a month or every other week – just and idea.
  - Everyone responded positively and thought it would be a good idea.
- Risers for Music Program
- Matt Piatt is our music teacher and would really like to get new risers.
  - They are pricey but last a long time and these were not replaced when we moved into this building.
  - It has been suggested that we use the money that was fundraised by Marimba (which we no longer have) that is in PTO's accounts. (\$2505.84)
  - The building has some money set aside.
  - The district MIGHT have some funds set aside but that isn't guaranteed. The request has been made to ask for more money beyond that.
  - The request was made asking how much do you think we should in addition to pay if any?
  - Jess asked if there was a way to fundraise for it – Heidi said that we would be the group to create that fundraiser if we think that we could put that on.
  - Lesley asked what risers are really like – could we get a contractor
  - Kristen has suggested that we use the 2500 from marimba, Mr. Piatt's 500, perhaps PTO give 2500 to then cover about half and then the building would put forth the rest.
  - April suggested we try to do an additional fundraiser to repay ourselves. Applebees pancake breakfast was suggested. Perhaps

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getting in for spring – Danielle Craigen volunteered to contact for a possible spring date for a fundraiser.

- Motion to contribute the Marimba money – all approved
- Motion to contribute his \$500 plus \$ 2500 Kristen, 2<sup>nd</sup> Danielle Craigen
- Vote I's – 16 No - 0

## Yearbook Project

Jess

- We need to vote on the top 3 per class and then the students will choose this week. Then there will be a digital version of the art work loaded for the cover.
- Only 9 turned them in so perhaps we will just let the kids vote out of the 9 anyway.
- Heidi motioned to just let the kids vote, Jess seconded – all agree
- Jess said she is going to suggest putting the other 8 somewhere else in.
- A mom suggested putting 2<sup>nd</sup> place on the back as well. Jess will see if this is possible.
- Jess will make a box and Jenn will create the vote slips and display the artwork.

## Monthly Recap

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- Movie Night on Friday – lots of fun, craft area was also lots of fun
- 79 lbs went to 2<sup>nd</sup> harvest
- Prizes for jog-a-thon have arrived and been sorted except for the apparel and will be delivered
- Pizza parties & ice cream party need to be planned.
- K-2 really responding to the bear for helping keep the cafeteria neat and quiet

## Treasurer's Report

Katie

- Collected funds for the shirt order and purchased
- Reimbursed a teacher out of their allotted funds
- Paid for a 5<sup>th</sup> grade field trip but were also reimbursed for some funds based on the students paying for their tickets.
  - Jess commented on how well our 5<sup>th</sup> graders did on their field trip

## New Business

All

- Art Therapy Idea  
Nick  
(see his slides attached for information regarding his reasoning for asking for \$)  
Jenn Coe motioned to support for \$200 for the year – 2<sup>nd</sup> by April Jordan  
Vote - I's – 16 No's - 0

- ATP

Mari

- What is is - Teacher & School's way to bring the family in
- Parents & families are encouraged to attend these meetings

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- There is a meeting on Thursday, Dec. 14th
- Any questions contact [mariana.karnesky@ksd.org](mailto:mariana.karnesky@ksd.org)
- Heidi mentioned the Recipes for Success papers are sponsored through this group and they are planning a Kids at Hope Destination night to combine with Science Fair this year.

- 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Sock – It – To -Me

Debbie

- Some socks stay here in the building and other are donated to the mission and safe harbor. Last year 400 pairs were brought in and they are headed this way.
- A mom was asking if we could ask for it earlier in the year, so that it wasn't all at once or even if we just had advanced warning to collect earlier other than collect for many things all at Christmas time.
- Another mom suggested we could even put these types of events on the PTO magnet calendar. It was mentioned that we would need to inquire to all staff to add these types of things and the magnet might get too big, however, we could try to publicize some of these things sooner. The service opportunities such as giving tree and sock-it-to-me are school driven, not PTO so it is harder for us to give advanced warning about some of those type of events.

Raffle/Adjournment

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- Starbucks cards were awarded to Jess & Heidi from the attendance raffle.