

## PTA Meeting Agenda March 3, 2016

In attendance: Amy Peterson, Jen Fairbanks, Michelle Beckstead, Ms Rose, Dr Higgins, Mr Gallant, Tina DeWitt, Barb Cullenbine, EmmaLee Peay, Jenelle Haynie, Allison Plummer, Elizabeth Sweat

Call to Order 9:30am by Allison Plummer

Pledge: Allison Plummer

Jen Fairbanks motions to approve February 4, 2016 meeting minutes. By consensus it was approved. Today's agenda stands as written

### Board Reports:

1. President's report: Allison Plummer
  - i. Report on Ridgeline Run (see fundraising below)
2. Pres-Elect's report: Amy Peterson
  - i. Vote for 2016-2017 Executive Board: Mary Thomas was presented as nominee for secretary, Tina DeWitt presented as nominee for Treasurer. Allison Plummer motioned that the election be a voice vote. By consensus it was approved. Allison called for voice vote for secretary. Ayes have it. Allison called for voice vote for treasurer. Ayes have it. Mary Thomas will serve as 2016-17 secretary and Tina DeWitt will serve as 2016-17 treasurer.
  - ii. Need a president-elect. Please spread the word to friends.
  - iii. Need two volunteers for kindergarten registration on March 29<sup>th</sup>.
3. Treasurer's report: Jenelle Haynie
  - i. We were under budget for teacher dinners in February.
  - ii. Jenelle motions PTA donate \$1000 for teacher lounge renovation. The school is donating \$3000 and DR Horton has been asked for donations of furniture, art, wall hangings, and refrigerator. The PTA donation will be used only if necessary and depends on how much DR Horton is willing to donate. By consensus the motion was approved. Michelle Beckstead is heading up that project.
  - iii. Discussion ensued about possibility of using additional funds to fulfill teachers' wish lists or give back a grant to the school to improve the equipment in the trailers.
4. Principal's report: Dr. Higgins
  - i. Two additional trailers are here, the classroom assignments have not been made yet for next year. The track request/teacher letter will be coming out in a couple of weeks. Parents can write letters expressing their concerns or interest as needed. A couple of teachers are retiring and that information will be public soon.
  - ii. Keycard entry has been purchased by the school for the trailers.
5. Teacher's report: Ms. Rose
  - i. Teachers are much happier with the spreadsheet used for rocky's readers to keep track of minutes. Much faster than old method. Overall teachers are pleased with the program. Instead of daily random prize drawings, it was suggested that we give teachers the prizes and let them distribute to

their own students. PTA board loved this idea and will incorporate it into the program next year.

#### Commissioner and Chair Reports:

6. Community Involvement:
  - i. Michelle Beckstead did a great job on teacher dinners. As mentioned above, she came in under budget.
7. Education:
  - i. Rocky's Readers was a huge success. Kids read over one million minutes. The goal was 750,000.
  - ii. Battle of the Books wrapped up Friday. The kids had a great time and the volunteers did an excellent job running the program.
8. Fundraising:
  - i. Ridgeline Run planning meetings are happening. This year the students will run smaller laps, the laps will be marked on a wristband or race bib and counted when they return to the classroom. It was suggested that the paper have boxes to check to make the counting easier after. Need parent volunteers for marking and counting. The class in each grade that runs the most laps will receive a trophy that is passed on to the new winner each year. We will have online donations as well as envelopes sent home. The student has the option of using their own personal URL to send to grandparents, family, etc to collect sponsors/donations. We are thinking of unique ways to reward the students that collect the most donations. Students will also get t-shirts. The PTA will buy the shirts and put the logos of our sponsors this year on the back. Still having a 5K but working through logistics of that. It was suggested that we do the 5K the last week of school if it's not the same day as the Ridgeline Run.
  - ii. Barb C: Yearbook is almost done. Will have a thank you to our sponsors page like last year. Barb has reached out to every parent who had a concern last year. None have responded. A proof will be sent to teachers and PTA board to finalize yearbook. We'd like a phone message to go out to parents reminding them that there's only a limited supply of books (99) and to buy them before they run out.
  - iii. Our sponsor program has been very successful the last two years.

#### Additional Items:

9. Upcoming Events:
  - i. March 7: No School (Professional Development Day)
  - ii. March 18: Dad/Special Guest and Donuts – 4<sup>th</sup> grade
  - iii. March 29: Kindergarten registration 9:15-12:30 (need two volunteers)

Next meeting: 9:30am Thursday, April 14, 2016

Meeting Adjourned: 10:35am