

HalePTA



PTA Executive Board Meeting December 8, 2015

PTA Board Members
Terri Link, Co-Chair
Kyle Mack, Co-Chair
Rachel Walker, Advisory
Kristin Farrell, Communications
Amira Holden, Communications
Meggen Lindsay Berlute, Membership
Randy Newton, Treasurer
Lindsey Daugherty, Secretary

AGENDA

1. Financials Review, budget update (ongoing topic-Randy)
 - Carnival expenses have been paid
 - Chromebooks have been purchased
 - Working on getting Spring Fling (2014) balances from the Foundation
2. Requests for funds (ongoing topic-Randy)
 - Chromebook purchases approved
 - Mpls Kids has agreed to pay for half of the headsets in the media center
 - **PTA APPROVAL:** BrainPop funding -\$2000, Randy is following up on contract renewal
 - **PTA APPROVAL:** Half of Dreambox funding-\$1750
3. Site Council Updates (ongoing topic-Meggen)
 - Task force will review classroom sizes and create ideas for solutions
4. Technology update
 - Met with Ryan and Sheighlah about schools technology goals-focused priority on math, then reading.
 - Vision: access to a device for every 2nd - 4th graders, ipads for k-1st graders
 - Proposed plan (\$10,000) is twice what PTA has budgeted for computer programming/software spending.
 - Need to arrange contracts so that they end over the summer, not in the middle of the school year
 - All computer program/software purchase and contract agreements should go through Sheilah
 - Computer program/software plans should be reviewed each year to maintain balance and sustainability
 - Math Plan:
 - Grades k through 2- Dreambox (\$3500 annual license cost)
 - Grade 3 -Frist in Math (\$1142 annual license cost)
 - Grade 4-IXL (\$2228 18-month cost)
 - Reading Plan:
 - Grade 4-Excellorated reader (\$1300 8-month license, prorated to end 7/31st)
 - All grades- MyOn (district funded)
 - BrainPop (\$2000 annual license cost)
 - Media Center plan:
 - Pebble Go (\$1000 annual license)
 - Tumblebooks (district funded)
5. Parent forum update-talking about Race topic

- James Burroughs-guest speaker
 - Will do advanced survey to parents to gather questions for guest speaker
 - Targeting end of January for parent forum
 - Will reach out to Field to gauge interest in their participation
6. Scholastic book fair proceeds
 - Option for funding designation: computer program/software
 - Will coordinate author book signing-Jonah Winter
 7. Holiday teacher gift idea from PTA
 - Kuerig
 8. PTA Board Meeting location: will meet at Turtle Bread

Future PTA agenda topics:

- Periodic grade leaders/principal meeting with PTA or portion of PTA
- PTA spend, review of how we spend funding and if it should continue or be spent elsewhere

OUTSTANDING ITEMS

Item	Owner	Origination Date
Follow up with FreeStyle on outstanding check	Rachel	10/21/15
Talk to Jenny Lansing about testing rubber mulch	Kristin	11/11/15
Talk to Ryan about reminding last teachers on the playground to close and lock the playground equipment box	Terri	12/8/15
Reach out to Field to see if they would like to participate in Parent Forum-talking about race	Terri	12/8/15
PE has yet to receive the skis ordered and paid for over the summer. Randy followed up with payment date, awaiting response from Larissa.	Rachel	12/8/15

PTA meeting schedule and location for SY 15/16: second Wednesday of each month at 6:30. Location will be announced prior to each meeting.