

Stone Lake Elementary PTO General Meeting Minutes
January 13, 2015

The January meeting of the Stone Lake PTO was called to order at 6:02 p.m. by Lisa Mehl.

Attendance: Jessica Trudell, Christine Fisher-Fernandez, Erica Davis, Yvette Sack, Linda Trujillo, Mark Beard, Jeremy Roberts, Lisa Mehl, Kristen Beckner, JoAnna Cline.

Approval of General Meeting Minutes:

Minutes for the December 9th, 2014 meeting were approved on a motion by Yvette Sack and a second by Jeremy Roberts.

Treasurer's Report:

- JoAnna Cline reported the following: 1) Book Fair didn't profit as much as anticipated. She has inquired with Jennifer Ferraiuolo, Book Fair Chairperson, to advise how PTO can budget more accurately next year based on this year's costs, income, etc. 2) JoAnna also reported that Carla Troutner will be purchasing eight more floor mats and will provide PTO with an invoice.

The December budget was approved on a motion by Jessica Trudell and a second by Christine Fisher-Fernandez.

Reports:

A: Memorial Bench: JoEllen Shanks

- Lisa Mehl reported on behalf of Sandy Glaeser regarding the purchase of a Memorial Bench for JoEllen Shanks. Sandy provided PTO with an invoice of \$1,060.31 (see attachment). Installation of the bench will require use of a forklift which can be provided by EGUSD. Cost is yet to be determined. Mark Beard will inquire and report back. The bench will be placed in the north area of the Beth Cass Courtyard.
- JoAnna Cline made a motion to allocate \$1,100.00 towards the memorial bench. This motion was seconded by Jeremy Roberts. All present members were in favor; no objections.

B: Computer Lab Projector

- Jeremy Roberts presented an estimate for installation of a ceiling mounted projector system for the Computer Lab (see attachment). He submitted a site modification and has received approval by the District. The estimate for project completion is \$1,709.20. Further approval by Mark Beard and District is needed before installation.
- Mark Beard reported that the school purchased approximately 10 new classroom projectors. They determined it is more cost effective than purchasing new light bulbs for the current units.
- JoAnna Cline made a motion to allocate \$1,709.20 for the computer lab ceiling mounted projector. This motion was seconded by Kristen Beckner. All present members were in favor; no objections.

C: Yearbook

- Erica Davis reported that all 6th grade dedications due in December. She has also initiated a 6th grade signature page to accompany their class photo for the yearbook. She reported that there is still a need for photos from teachers, staff, and parents. She has set a mini deadline for the end of January with e-mail notification and flyers to follow. The final deadline for all photos is the end of February. Erica requested notification of any special events in March for which she can reserve pages. Mark Beard let her know that 6th grade trip is in early March. Erica will save space in the yearbook for this and will contact teachers to remind parents to get those photos in as soon as possible when they return.
- Linda Trujillo asked how many photos she would like from teachers for their class page. Erica is looking for 20-25 photos per class.
- Erica asked the difference between students opting out of photos and multimedia. Mark Beard emailed the communications department at the District for clarification and direction. He will report back to Erica. Erica will also inquire with last year's yearbook chairperson for direction.
- She also inquired about when to cut off all yearbook orders: online and in person. Erica is meeting with Diana from Lifetouch and she will get back to us with suggestions on this.

D: Spirit Wear

- Kristen Beckner reported that a site sale for Spirit Wear will be held on January 26th from 2:15 – 3:15pm in front of the library. There will also be one scheduled for February. There may be additional site sales in the future based on inventory. Suggestions were made to get an email out with the price of items so students and parents know the cost per item. Items are limited to inventory on hand. Kristen also requested help from the teachers to remind students a few days prior to the site sale.

Upcoming Events:

A: Bags & Scarf Fundraiser Dates:

- Lisa Mehl reported that A&B Track sales are from February 3. – 17th and C and D Track dates are March 10-24th. All presentations regarding this fundraiser will be held during the lunch hour so no instructional time is lost for an assembly.

B: Restaurant Night: Rubios

- Lisa Mehl reported that our next Restaurant Night is scheduled for Thursday February 5th from 2p.m. to closing at Rubios. No flyer is needed, just mention Stone Lake. They will donate 20% back to Stone Lake.

C: Game Truck Party

- Lisa Mehl reported that the contest winners from Coupon Book sales will have their game truck party on February 12th from 9-11a.m. There are a total of 23 students participating and those that are from D Track will get extra time due to the inconvenience of having to come during off track time. Tyson Fong will be in contact with those teachers who have students participating. Kristen Beckner suggested that PTO look into alternatives that do not interfere with instructional time.

Principal's Report

Mark Beard reported that the K-3rd grade intersession is ongoing monthly. He is pleased with the progress. Approximately 6-8 students participate each month. These students have been recommended for the program by their teachers. He expects to continue providing after school reading support as funds in the schools budget are available. He does not anticipate needing funds from PTO for the program this year.

Mark also reported on G.A.T.E. Due to a complaint filed with OCR (Office of Civil Rights) EGUSD is re-evaluating the identification process for G.A.T.E. students. He is expecting new identification criteria from the District in January 2015. He also plans to offer a G.A.T.E. parent information night once he received final G.A.T.E. testing information from the District. Currently Stone Lake has 26 identified G.A.T.E. students. He said there should be approximately 120+ in the G.A.T.E. program. Now that some G.A.T.E. funding has been made available, he reported that Stone Lake will be offering our 3rd-6th grade students a six-week after school performing arts academy. This program will be available on a first come first serve basis. Former Stone Lake parent, Tara Lotten, will be the instructor.

Open Forum

- Yvette Sack reported that CDI does not need a vest as was previously requested. They would like 4-6 of the large, tall orange cones. She will inquire with Wayne about the cost of the cones.
- Kristen Beckner asked Mr. Beard if teachers were interested in site follow-up DBQ training with Brian Benson. Brian suggested doing it sometime in February or March. Mark will ask teachers and report back to PTO.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m. on a motion by Christine Fisher-Fernandez and a second by JoAnna Cline.