

Stone Lake Elementary PTO General Meeting Minutes
March 10, 2015

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

Attendance: Jessica Trudell, Lisa Mehl, JoAnna Cline, Kristen Beckner, Monica Smith, Kam Grant-Parrott, Liz Mellinger, Yvette Sack, Mark Beard, Dreena Freeman, Erica Davis, Angela Moore, Christine Fisher-Fernandez.

Thomas Photography Presentation

Thomas Kuhl Photography and Associates were in attendance and offered a business presentation. He provided portrait samples. He also talked briefly about the yearbook company they use. This would not be a PTO decision, but one made by the principal.

Approval of General Meeting Minutes:

Minutes for the February 10, 2015 meeting were approved on a motion by Liz Mellinger and a second by Angela Moore.

Treasurer's Report:

- JoAnna Cline reported on the January budget: 1) Raley's has brought in \$862.00. 2) PTO purchased a power washer during this month under classroom equipment.
- JoAnna Cline reported on the February budget: 1) E-Waste has been more successful than previously thought and there was a deposit of \$134.75. 2) A & B Track fundraiser for the bags, scarves, and jewelry brought in \$5,800.00. 3) Target has \$497.00. 4) Rubio's restaurant night brought in \$199.00. 5) PTO purchased the Sparks PE equipment for \$1515.00.

The January budget was approved on a motion by Yvette Sack and a second by Jessica Trudell.

The February budget was approved on a motion by Angela Moore and a second by Yvette Sack.

Reports:

A: Bag, Scarf, Jewelry Fundraiser

- Lisa Mehl reported that the fundraiser for A & B Tracks is complete and a delivery time is TBD.
- C & D Track sales began today and their assembly was during their lunch time. 6th grade wasn't present during their lunch due to a field trip and packets were left in teachers boxes.

B: Spirit Wear Site Sale

- Kristen Beckner reported that a spirit wear site sale will be held during B & C Track open house March 19th. We will be selling what is left in inventory and are prepared to accept credit card payments as well.

C: Five Star Family Program

- Lisa Mehl reported that the date for the Five Star Family event has been changed to Saturday, June 20th. Flyers and cards will be coming soon.

Upcoming Events:

A: Staff/Teacher Appreciation

- Lisa Mehl reported that the teacher appreciation week will be May 4-8th and the lunch will be the Friday of that week. The Staff breakfast will be held Monday April 27th. Amy Sazama and Amrit Thandi are the chairpersons of these events.
- Mr. Beard expressed his appreciation that all staff is included. Lisa confirmed that the chairpersons have an updated list of staff.

B: Ice Cream Social

- Lisa Mehl reported that Ice Cream Social is scheduled for Friday, June 5th from 5:30 – 8:30pm. There will be wrist bands sold this year in place of tickets for all activities. Costs will increase the day of the event. We are discussing the possibility of hosting a spirit week again (like last year), but have concerns that activities will conflict with CAASP testing. Yvette Sack expressed concerns that the cost of the wrist bands would be too high for some families. Ticket pricing and options are still being decided.

Principal's Report

Mr. Beard reported that the 6th grade trip was a success. Approximately 120 students and over 20 parent chaperones participated. Mr. Beard also attended 2 of the 3 days at camp. He said what the camp lacked academically was offset by the many activities offered. He also reported that the Monday – Wednesday duration of the trip was sufficient and appropriate. He expressed his hopes that PTO can help support 6th grade overnight trips in the years to come. Lisa Mehl suggested that students start raising money as early as 4th grade to help with the costs.

Mr. Beard also reported on upcoming CAASP testing for 3rd – 6th grade students. This is the first year for the new test. C track testing will begin in mid April. He is planning to set up a parent information night in the upcoming months. He also shared about an article in the Sacramento Bee about the rigor of the new CAASP test. Results provided to schools from last year's pilot testing were not as high as anticipated.

Open Forum

- Erica Davis asked if anyone had photos from spirit day assemblies and it was suggested to e-mail Mrs. Moreno. She also needed photos from the NEHS ceremony and any awards ceremonies. She asked if she could get help making posters and Lisa Mehl said she would have NEHS kids help out in the upcoming week. March 30th is the final date for any yearbook photos. April 3rd is the deadline for purchasing and we may extend the online ordering deadline.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:01 p.m. on a motion by JoAnna Cline and a second by Angela Moore.