

Stone Lake Elementary PTO General Meeting Minutes - April 14, 2015

The April meeting of the Stone Lake PTO was called to order at 6:01 p.m. by Lisa Mehl.

Attendance: Jessica Trudell, Danaa Tateishi, Kristen Beckner, Dreena Freeman, Angela Moore, Liz Mellinger, Lisa Mehl, JoAnna Cline, Tami Cano, Erica Davis, Jerry Crosby, Jeremy Roberts, Tye Ross, Christine Fisher-Fernandez, Linda Trujillo, Michelle Nolen-Gonzales, Ana Galic, Mark Beard.

Approval of General Meeting Minutes:

Minutes for the March 10, 2015 meeting were approved on a motion by Erica Davis and a second by Liz Mellinger. Lisa Mehl called for a vote to approve the motion. All present members were in favor; no objections.

Treasurer's Report:

- JoAnna Cline reported on the budget: 1) The bags, scarves, and jewelry fundraiser brought in approximately \$9,600.00 and PTO will received 40%. 2) Red Robin Restaurant night brought in \$202.00. 3) Spirit wear has turned a small profit with all the site sales. 4) PTO paid the computer lab projector bill and it is up and running and being enjoyed by staff and teachers.

The March budget was approved on a motion by Jessica Trudell and a second by Linda Trujillo. Lisa Mehl called for a vote to approve the motion. All present members were in favor; no objections.

Reports:

A: Bag, Scarf, Jewelry Fundraiser

- JoAnna Cline reported that C & D Tracks have completed their fundraiser and deliveries for this track are scheduled for Thursday, April 23rd. There were a few items that were back ordered and those people have been contacted as the items are delivered.

Upcoming Events:

A: \$20,000 Allocation for Kindergarten Shade Structure

- Lisa Mehl reported that the PTO would like to donate \$20,000.00 to the school for the purchase of a 20'X30' shade structure for the Kindergarten playground. Mr. Beard has reported that staff is in favor of the project. Out of the three companies who provided estimates, the District has decided to accept the offer from the vendor who installed Elliot Ranch's shade structure. It will be a fabric structure with a 10-15 year warranty, although reports from Mr. Beard indicate that the life expectancy is often greater than this estimate. All PTO members have been informed via newsletters and emails of the intent to donate \$20,000.00 towards the project. JoAnna Cline shared that this large allocation won't set back the PTO budget going forward as \$47,000 was rolled over from last year and currently there is \$37,000 available.
- Kristen Beckner made a motion to allocate a \$20,000.00 donation towards the purchase of a shade structure for the Kindergarten playground. This motion was seconded by Angela Moore. Lisa Mehl called for a vote to approve the motion. All present members were in favor; no objections. Mr. Beard will start the process and provide an update at the May meeting.

B: Yearbook Pre-sales complete. Limited amount for sale upon distribution

- Erica Davis reported that all pre-sales are closed and that there are 111 yearbooks unsold. These will be available for purchase when the books are delivered. Estimated delivery date is May 15th. Erica presented samples of yearbook add on items: autograph page inserts, a year in review inserts, and stickers. Erica will inquire about availability and pricing of add on items. She will provide information to the board for consideration. PTO will provide an update if these are available for purchase and if there is going to be a site sale for yearbook.

C: Restaurant Night: Chuck E Cheese, Friday April 10th

- Lisa Mehl reported that PTO made \$410.29 from this restaurant night. She also reported that PTO will be looking for a new chairperson next year as Audrey Kagiyama has stepped down from this position after serving for several years.

D: Staff Appreciation Breakfast: Monday April 27th

- Lisa Mehl reported that Amy Sazama and Amrit Thandi will be providing a grab and go breakfast the morning of the 27th. The week of May 4th – May 8th will include daily treats for teacher and staff appreciation. Treats will be provided to all staff Monday morning before the start of school, Tuesday – Thursday delivered to staff lounge, and Friday a catered lunch by Baja Burrito.

E: 2015-2016 Stone Lake Elementary PTO Board Member Nominations & Nominating Committee

- Kristen Beckner announced the nominating committee: Erica Davis, Jasmine Gonzales, Jessica Trudell, and herself. A school wide e-mail was sent to the community requesting nominees for the 2015-2016 PTO Board. Current nominees include: Lisa Mehl for PTO President, Kirsten Beckner for Vice President, Jessica Trudell for Treasurer, and JoAnna Cline for Secretary. Kristen called for additional nominations from the floor. No additional nominees came forward. These nominees will be presented at the May meeting for a vote.

F: Spirit Wear Site Sale: May 14th at A & D Open House

- Kristen Beckner reported that this site sale is confirmed and is limited to current inventory.

G: Ice Cream Social Friday June 5th, 2015 from 5:30-8:30p.m.

- Lisa Mehl reported that Ice Cream Social planning is well underway. A signup sheet has been posted in the staff lounge for teachers to sign up for raffle basket themes. Additionally, the ICS committee has decided to offer a second \$5.00 wrist band for limited activities to include face painting, balloon animals, and carnival games for those that don't want to participate in the game truck or hovercraft. A sign up genius for event volunteers will be coming out soon.
- Angela Moore requested a reminder for D Track students inviting them to attend.
- Kristen Beckner reported on donations. She is continuing to pursue additional donations from the community and asked for help from parents and teachers. She said to contact her for letters or suggestions. She also asked if the community would support WinCo, Raley's, The Nugget Market, Trader Joe's, and Wal-Mart while shopping as they have very generously donated.

H: 2015-2016 6th Grade Field Trip

- Mr. Beard is in the planning stages for the upcoming 2015-2016 6th grade trip to the Alliance Redwoods. It is scheduled for September 9th-11th, Wednesday to Friday. The latter half of the week is preferred by teachers, parents, and students to provide weekend recovery from the adventure. Parents shared that they are excited for a team building experience at the beginning of the year. He requested that PTO add an action item to next month's meeting to request funding from PTO for the busses for next year's class. He estimated the cost to be close to that of the 2014-2015 6th grade trip even though there is one less class and he said there will still be a need for two busses. Questions were asked if there will be fundraising done by the 6th graders and Mr. Beard felt there wasn't a need for a specific fundraiser to be done by 6th grade as they have contributed throughout their years at Stone Lake. If any fundraising were to be done, it would be collective for the 6th graders and not individually based. Ana Galic suggested a fundraising idea to have students/families donate used books for a book sale.

Principal's Report

Mr. Beard reported on the early out/late start survey that was sent out to the community. The results were split 50% in favor of an early out and 50% in favor of a late start. He will now present the results to teachers for their input and vote. It will also be on the agenda for the upcoming Koffee Klatch on Monday May 4th at 8:30a.m. While no final decisions have been made, he expects that teachers will want the early out schedule. Instructional minutes will be added to the other school days to accommodate for the shortened Wednesday, but nothing has been confirmed at this time.

Mr. Beard also reported that CAASPP testing has begun. A few technical issues have come up, but Mr. Roberts is helping smooth them out. Additional help for IEP students are available in classes and the schedule is working well.

Mr. Beard also reported he will be able to hire a subject matter teacher for the 2015-2016 school year to teach P.E. to 4th, 5th, and 6th grade students. It is state mandated that P.E. be taught 200 minutes per two week period. Also, Mr. Roberts has posted the current P.E. schedule to the school's website. Primary grades will continue to receive P.E. instruction from their classroom teachers due to their smaller class size.

Open Forum

- Ana Galic suggested that we do a rummage sale sometime in October with an emphasis on Halloween Costumes.
- Jeremy Roberts notified PTO that our digital screening contract, Learn 360, is coming to an end in July. The renewal cost is approximately \$521.00 annually. He said is it used regularly by teachers and staff and requested to have PTO consider funding the program. He stated that the District is requesting schools purchase yearly agreements only. Lisa Mehl requested that Jeremy forward the invoice to her.
- Jerry Crosby, Toby Johnson Principal, said that a PTSO has been created at Toby Johnson. She is inviting Stone Lake 6th grade parents to come out to their next meeting on May 4th at 6:00p.m. They will be voting on Board member nominations for the upcoming year. She expressed the importance of continued parent support at the middle and high school level. She also invited 6th grade parents to the last Parent night on May 7th at 6:00p.m. where they will discuss 6th grade matriculation to middle school.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:24 p.m. on a motion by Danaa Tateishi and a second by Angela Moore.