

## Peterson Elementary PTA Minutes 3-10-2016

9:35 am meeting called to order

### **Jen Tedrow, President**

- Asked everyone to review the minutes from February  
Made a motion to approve. February minutes approved.

### **Allison Landstrom, Principal**

- Peterson is in the upper fourth of schools for parents completing the survey!!
- There will be fourth and fifth grade safety monitors. They will help the students be safe, respectful, responsible, etc...There is a Safety Patrol meeting and you need to fill out an application which is due Monday, March 14th-this is a hard deadline. The first focus will be bus safety and behavior.
- Olympic Day is scheduled for Tuesday, May 24th.
- Ray Atkins is our Emergency Preparedness Coordinator. He wants to fix the cameras so we see faces, not the tops of heads. Volunteers have to wear visitor badges.

### **Jen Tedrow, President**

- Looking at registration for next year-we are planning on doing more online registration, we just want to make sure we get the word out to families so they are aware of the change.
- We are open to discussing the price for Golden Paw. Leslie Shepherd suggested one price per family. Tabitha King suggested giving an incentive for signing up such as a Peterson t-shirt or keychain.
- Special Survivor Games are after school on Friday, March 18th. We have fourth and fifth grade Peer Buddies participating. Please come support them.
- The PTA bought safety belts for a new Safety Program.
- There are volunteer opportunities coming up. Monday, March 14th is spring pictures. We still need a few volunteers for that. April 27th is Administrative Professionals Day. Danielle Boose will get something for Peg Gamboa and Peggy Newman.
- We need a Nominating Committee for the upcoming PTA Board elections. Colleen Keen is on the board but we could use one more person. We will be electing a new President, Vice President, and Secretary.

### **Emily Brosnahan, Vice President**

- Bricks are for sale until March 18th. You can order online and send in a check to Peterson.
- We are looking at doing end of year bricks for teachers from their classes. The room moms will need to be on board to facilitate this. We have the wording for a note to go out to parents and just have to decide how to collect the money. Eileen Narwal suggested a deadline for bringing money to a room mom's house and one hard deadline for sending money to the school on one day only. Probably a two week time frame. The room moms will place the order.
- School Supply Kit forms will be going home after spring break.

### **Devin Tuch, Treasurer**

- After school enrichment has brought in \$370.00 to the PTA.
- There will be a school assembly in March which will be an expense.
- We are still waiting on a check from McAlister's Deli dinner night.
- The audit for last year needs to be approved. Please review it. Jennifer Tedrow made a motion to approve it.  
All in favor say 'Aye'-all All opposed say 'Nay'-none. Audit approved.

### **Jennifer Tedrow, President**

- The Mother/Son event was successful. Dad's planned it. The sign-up was online and worked well.

### **Tabitha King, Teacher Appreciation**

- Room moms will help with communication, each day will be a different theme.
- Monday-Wear your teachers favorite color/team jersey
- Tuesday-Student/Parents write a thank you (include specials)
- Wednesday-Bring a sweet treat, write a sweet poem
- Thursday-Teacher Wish List
- Friday-Complete Thank You Worksheet

catered lunch on Thursday (possibly Chick-Fil-A), and Aimee Strasma and Michelle Lambert are planning lunch on Friday, probably Aurelio's.

-Door decorating will be Friday, April 29th after school. Room moms can decide how to decorate the doors.

**Aimee Strasma, Daddy/Daughter Dance**

-Save the date's will be going out soon. The event is April 15th from 7-9. Invitations will be online on Google Forms. It is a spring theme!

**Jennifer Tedrow, President**

-Denise Calzaretta and Jackie Willis are not here but they will be planning Muffins with Mom. This will be May 12th at Peterson.

**Jen Wang/Karrie Mascari, After School Programs**

-A new session of chess has started. This will be the last session of the year. Engineering for Kids is still a success. The programs have brought in money for the school!

**Colleen Keen, IPPC**

-Nothing new to report.

**Jennifer Tedrow, President**

-Neha Patodia is not present to report on PDAC. There will be a spring cultural series coming soon. These events are intended to promote awareness of different cultures/traditions. If you have ideas, please give them to Neha Patodia.

**Emily Brosnahan, Spiritwear**

-Spirit Day is March 11th.

**Joann Frisby, Recycling**

-We made \$353.43 from BoxTops.

-Mrs. Warren's room was in first place and Mrs. Goc's was in second place. They will both get a popsicle party.

**Jennifer Tedrow, President**

-Shannon Godsil is not present to report on dinner nights. The next dinner night is March 22nd at McDonald's. They are very generous to the school so we would like to support them. May 22nd is TCBY.

**Kristina Beliveau, STEM**

-Proposed to change the date for the Earth Day Celebration to May so it will be warmer outside. Students could still make posters to hang in the school for the actual Earth Day.

-We have been talking about some STEM day/night activity.

**Jennifer Tedrow, President**

-Richa Kumari is not present to discuss Reflections. Peterson kids advanced to the state level. Varsha Mohanty asked how to get her certificate for participation. Talk to Richa Kumari.

**Jennifer Tedrow, President**

-We have some extra money in the budget that we can spend before the end of the school year. We would welcome ideas. Thinking about more landscape, LMC furniture, and teacher items. There is not enough money for a shade structure for the learning center.

-Made a motion to approve Colleen Keen on the Nominating Committee.

All in favor say 'Aye'-all All opposed say 'Nay'-none. Motion approved.

-Mrs. Mahapatra would like to do a family night at the school, sort of like a cultural night. Jennifer Tedrow said that PDAC is already thinking about a cultural night in 2016-2017. Allison Landstrom and the staff support celebrating cultural activities. Scullen School just did a cultural night and it was a success. They had different foods, Irish dancing, 3 on 3 soccer, etc...We would need someone to run the event so it would be best to incorporate it with the planned PDAC night.

Meeting adjourned at 11:11

