

Tualatin Elementary School PTA
General Membership Meeting • February 7, 2017
(Held in the Tualatin Elementary School Library)

Meeting was called to order at 7:06 p.m. by Jymn Heathcott, PTA co-President.

The membership reviewed the December 13, 2016, meeting minutes. Jean motioned to approve the minutes and motion was seconded. Minutes, as written, were approved by the membership.

A quorum was present at the meeting.

COMMUNITY

Margie from the Foundation for Tigard-Tualatin School attended the meeting to share about the FTTS Fund Drive.

Foundations for TTSD (Margie Green)

The Foundation through generous donations, gives the teachers more support for extra classes/training. Having certified teachers helps get your kids learning faster. Monies from the Foundation has gone to help math and a computer technology instruction. Donations come from current parents and also from alumni parents. Share emails and social media to get the word out and raise more money. There will be several posters in English and Spanish to be posted throughout the school. Each school will receive 10 yard signs to help get the word out. 31 phone lines Tues 21, Wednesday 23 and Thursday 24 3-5:30 and 5-8:30 for warm calling. Raise about \$20K through the warm calling alone. \$15K in coin drives. All these efforts add up to approximately \$130K. Hosting a warm call here at the school is possible. Bring food, drinks, and raffle prizes to us here.

REPORTS

Principal (Mr. Kingery)

Winter Holiday wasn't held this year because of school closure days due to snow. Mr. Kingery recognized Jean and Cindy for all the work they did. The rotunda does look amazing with all the decorations. Last week was the end of the second quarter. Report cards are finished as of midnight last night. Questions please contact your child's teacher. One of our snow make up days is on what would have been our Spring conference. Please contact your teacher w/ any concerns.

March 10 and April 3 are snow make up days.

Kindergarten registration is next Wednesday, February 15th. If any kids are five by September 1st they are Kindergarten eligible. If you know anyone now or who moves into your neighborhood, please encourage them to get enrolled with the school. Knowing numbers is important to be sure we have enough teachers for Kindergarten.

Thank you to Mrs. Waibel, Ms. LePore, and Mrs. Shaver for being here tonight to talk about 2nd, 3rd and Title 1 and Literacy programs.

2nd grade update (Mrs. Waibel)

Waibel is a member of PBIS (Positive Behavior and Intervention Systems) team and February is Friendship month. 2nd grade went on a lovely field trip to see Fly Guy the musical last week. 2nd graders wrote letters to the PTA. She shared several letters. Everything you do [PTA] is appreciated by the students.

3rd grade update (Miss LePore)

Common Core state standards have changed benchmarks and students need to have mastered 100 math facts (division and multiplication to 10). They have weekly test to show mastery of a particular fact. This is a big focus of 3rd grade during this time of the year.

Title 1 (Mrs. Shaver)

Shared a slide presentation about the Literacy Center Updates. Funded out of Federal Title I (\$260,000) and TTSD District Reading Fund (\$36,000). Refer to as Title I because that is the law that provides the funds. Tualatin Elementary qualifies because we are 46% free/reduced lunch. Once over 30% you can apply for funds. You don't have to qualify as free/reduced lunch to receive the help that comes from the funds. Title I funds: 2-½ time employees for Title I, Shaver for reading and Selby. 0.375 (3hrs/day), Family liaison, 6 Instructional Assistants for reading interventions, 1 Instruction Assistant for math interventions, Teacher professional development and misc. instructional materials. They do DIBELS school wide 3X/year. Lowest 20-30% at concern for academic risk served in reading (prevention and intervention). These students are monitored regularly. Weekly school Book Nook give-away program. Various Family Involvement Events (PaLa, STEM night, OMSI night, Home-School Compact, etc.) Summer School and after school activities, TEAF Homework club.

Presidents' report (Sharell Lien)

See calendar of events on back side of agenda.

Nominating Committee needed... Treasurer-Elect (becomes Treasurer) is the only position filled so far. Amanda Thorderson is willing to lead the Nominating Committee.

There are 47 members to date. Thank you to all who have chosen to be members. When you attend the PTA meeting, please sign in on the member sign-in page. If you wish to become a member, applications are available at the meeting and online at www.tualatinelementarypta.org – dues are \$11.50. To vote at meetings or to handle money at PTA events, you must be a member.

Oregon PTA Convention is slated for April 21 and 22, 2017, at Holiday Inn in Wilsonville, Oregon. There is money in the PTA Education line-item to fund the registration fees.

VP of Fundraising report (Amy Zuckerman)

McMinnamins Old Church restaurant night from 5-11pm. They give us 50% of sales between those hours. Scrip card order on the 21st for McMinnamins to get another 12% back. Hit up social media, BBB and flyers home to schools. Applebee's Flapjack event for \$100 deposit and sell 100 tickets. They take \$4 of the ticket and rest goes to the school. Parents and ambassadors can help as servers and greeters. You can go one time through feed. Walk ups can buy tickets. Do you think we would get a lot of interest with that? Can sell to anyone. March 4, 18, 25 or May 13, 20, 27 are the dates available. Do they need RSVP or headcount? Amy and Beth will look more into this possible fundraising event.

VP of Volunteers – (Sharell Lien for Kate Heathcott)

Hearing Screening for 1-3 grades is scheduled for Friday, February 17. The volunteers needed have stepped forward.

Treasurer's Financial report

Music is negative \$47.43 was motioned to be moved for Amanda T and seconded by Ms. LePore and was unanimous vote to add funds to pay the check for the marimbas.

NEW BUSINESS

Read-a-thon (Amanda Thorderson)

Packet printing done cheaply through Office Depot for \$151 for 600 envelopes and flyers. Prize of Scholastic bucks to spend at Spring Book Fair. Drawings for games and gift cards in the \$10 range. If you have any ideas, let Amanda know. Everyone gets a pencil, bookmark and McDonald's ice cream coupon. Top earners from each grade will have pizza w/ Mr. Kingery. Goal is for for \$4-6K this year. Any volunteers to help let me know. Someone wants to learn and co-chair next year let Amanda know. Dates: Feb 14th packets home, 17th Reading Starts, 25th Collect Donations, 27th Turn in packets, March 3rd prizes go home

OBOB (Kathleen)

Parent friendly to come watch. Must be quiet. Feb 10 all day. Your student's teacher has the battle schedule.

Garden (Paul Taylor)

Bouquet from the garden to go into the office, but we get to enjoy it this evening. The garden is looking pretty normal for the weather we've had. The birds are visiting. Main thing to think about is our next work party is Feb 26th from 1-3pm. We could use a really great turn out. Spreading compost or bark chips. There will be treats from Aggie for coming. Working with classes: 1st talking about weather in the outdoor classroom and look at the garden in the water and talk about the water cycle that is on the cistern; 2nd grade brainstorming about vegetables they like to eat and grow and start growing in the classrooms; 3rd caring for the birds that come to the garden by putting out suet and the pine cone dip feeder; 4th grade does letter writing asking for donations; Kindergarten talk about legacy of the garden; 5th graders talk about my career as a landscape designer and show my story boards and talk about the business process.

Have Fun in the Garden!

Memory Book (Amanda Thorderson)

Order forms are available, if you've not ordered. Two things to think about. We order 200 memory books and there are 600 students. 5th grade gets 30-40 books for students who can't afford to purchase one. For 5th grade parents, the parent tributes are due Feb 20th.

STREAM/Spring Book Fair (Amanda Thorderson)

Learn how to do a Scholastic book fair by helping with the STREAM event. This Spring fair will provide tips/tricks to conducting the Fall Book Fair. If you have any ideas or want to be involved with STREAM please let us know because we are about to start planning. Ms. LePore said teachers are willing to help with stations and be involved as there is no other STEM event in the months prior to the STREAM night.

5th Grade Promotion (Amanda Thorderson)

Successful meeting of about 20 people attended this evening. Danielle Aldinger, Heather Roberts and Amanda Thorderson are co-chairs. The theme is a cross between the video music awards and the Oscars. It will be the day before the last day of the year. Currently on June 19th. Could move if more snow days happen. Looking to have a back up event location in case of bad weather. This is just a party for the 5th graders. Next meeting in May. All meetings will be here at the school so everyone can attend. Also provided childcare so it was available for anyone/everyone to attend.

OTHER BUSINESS

New TEAF class called Black Bear TV. It will be shared by LePore to parents for social media and teachers to show on Monday mornings.

QUESTIONS and COMMENTS

If you want to be on the agenda, please let Sharell Lien or Jymn Heathcott know.

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NEXT MEETING:

Tuesday, March 14, 2017 at 7 p.m. – School Library – NOTE 2nd Tuesday

Co-President Jymn Heathcott adjourned the meeting at 8:32 p.m.

Prepared by ~

Date presented: March 14, 2017

Danielle Aldinger (Secretary)

Approved as Written or Amended

Secretary

Co-President