

PTA General Meeting

February 4, 2016

Called to order at 9:21am

Motion made to approve December minutes distributed via email by Mary Collins and seconded by Kelly Scholz, all in favor.

Welcome by Kristina, she announced that PTA approved a \$1500 budget for STEM night, a \$1300 budget for the CES/Urbana Basketball Game and \$300 for MSA Mints. This week the PTA also approved spending additional money based on wish lists from all grade levels, all the specials, and the interventionists. This money does not include the Race for Education money already spent for 30 chrome books and 2 charging carts. Attached is items approved by grade level, specials and intervention programs. Money is from our "carryover" account and it doesn't affect money needed to fund next year's budget.

Treasurer Report- Kristina read the treasurer's report due to Cathy's absence. Donations have increased by \$117 from EFK. Fundraising increased by \$57.00 which was made of \$50 from Race for Education and \$7 from Membership. School Directed Funds increased by \$41.22, which was a Box Tops Expense. We are waiting on invoice from Admin for both the technology purchase and the green pads for the office.

New Business: Mrs. Baker spoke thanking the PTA for their support for the STEM Night, which is scheduled for March 10th. Scales and Tails will be there, there will be owl pellets for feeding, looking forward to another great night.

Principal's Report- Mrs. Hilliard gave a huge thank you to the PTA and the families for the money raised by Race allowing us to buy 65 chrome books (PTA purchased 30 and the school purchased 35) in total with 2 charging carts. We are working toward a 1to1 ratio for 4th and 5th grade classrooms. They are working toward having 4/5th graders having their own computer lab in the portables. Another thank you for granting so many items on the teachers wish lists. Kristina to be present Thursday afternoon during the leadership meeting to share the good news regarding the wish lists. Teachers/Staff are really looking forward to the UES/CES Basketball Game, have 35 teachers and staff that will be participating. "Souper Bowl" is going well, still collecting cans for the Urbana Food Bank. Good news to share that the school's budget and staffing should remain the same as this year, too early to share too much but looks as though there will be no change. Mrs. Hilliard is looking into having another "principal chat" possibly about budgeting or class placement and formation.

Old Business:

"Helping Hoops" Basketball Game (March 16)-Great staff/teacher participation, they are very excited! Bridgett has sent the Plan of Work to Urbana Elementary School to let them know what is planned and the costs involved, waiting to hear back. Plan to hire a DJ to plan music during event, concessions will consist of drinks and candy to be sold with all the money raised going to the Urbana Food Bank along with the canned goods (admission to game is a can of food). Basketball game will start at 6:30pm, with

doors opening at 6pm and the end time will be 8pm. All students must be with an adult. PTA will purchase t-shirts for the teachers and staff (maroon and white) and UES staff shirts (navy and white), trying to get confirmation from UES to place order. Mrs. Hilliard to reach out to the UES Principal to finalize list of names for UES t-shirts. Michelle to order a trophy to present to the winning team, it will be passed back and forth each year. FOF and signage for the event will go out to parents closer to the date.

Nominating Committee-Currently have 1 person who has offered to be on the nominating committee, still needing 2 more people to help submit a ballot for the 2016-2017 PTA Board. Anyone with the exception of Kristina can be on the nominating committee. Contact Izza Malik if interested.

Multicultural Night- DATE CHANGE to April 15th. Also needing more representation from other countries, including USA, both displays and food are options as representation.

Jump Rope for Heart (2/24) - Still in need of more volunteers, FOF was sent out yesterday still time for the signup genius to fill up. Mary requested a copy of electronic donations, Kristina to check with Ms. Jordan for that information. There will be no prize distribution that day, the prizes come later.

Pastries with Parents- waiting to confirm a date, hoping to coordinate with the Spring Chorus. 4/21 is the tentative date, Mrs. Hilliard to confirm and let Kristina know.

Volunteer ID Badges- Nazarene is working with Lori so it doesn't need discussion.

Meeting adjourned at 10:10am.