

February 13, 2018

Wallace Elementary PTO Meeting

Members Present: Barbara Remer, Jessica Keeling, Angela Duster, Renea Barker, Crissy Pohl, Staci Randall, Suzie Pearson

Meeting Start: 7:50 p.m.

President's Report:

Newsletter entries need to be sent to Jen Nemmers by February 21st. The PTO meeting in March will be held on the following Tuesday after Spring Break.

Principal's Report:

The new Wallace building is getting new furniture. The philosophy of the new building is student-centered versus teacher-centered. There will be several options for seating and there will be flexible seating. There will be more chairs, standing desks, lower tables. The furniture will evolve according to age. We won't see the same furniture in the Kindergarten room as there is in the 4th-5th grade rooms, for example. The paint colors are going on the walls. The paint is very colorful and bright. The 4th-5th grade will have mobile lockers, and spaces can be shifted and changed in minutes. The classrooms will have glass walls that can be opened up. Doors into the community will automatically lock down if something were to happen that would call for a lock-down. There will no longer be traditional classrooms. The PTO focus will be on the re-design of the new library. Parents should be able to tour the new building, possibly in early August.

Secretary's Report:

Review of the January minutes. Jessica Keeling moved to approve. Staci Randall seconded. Approved.

Treasurer's Report:

Reviewed previous month's income and expenses. Current balance is \$61,961.70. Jessica Keeling moved to approve. Angela Duster seconded. Approved.

Old Business:

Staci received a response in January regarding the roller skates funding, and she learned that the money will be collected in February. The amount needed is \$750, and \$425.00 is what we have currently that we are prepared to hand over now. The question is do we want to give the total amount of \$750, assuming we will get the remaining amount from the upcoming skating party in April. Jessica Keeling moved to approve the total amount of \$750. Renea Barker seconded. The members present voted and approved.

New Business:

Angela Duster brought up what our thoughts were on bringing cans to raise funds for the PTO. We thought it would be a good idea, and she is planning to look more into this.

Committee Reports:

1. Purple Party: Wallace had 15 baskets. Timber Ridge and Wallace were the only schools that did baskets. A Purple Party representative at the combined elementary meeting thought that \$3500 had been raised from the baskets.
2. Special Events/Bridges: There were 56 students present at the ice skating party in February plus older siblings and parents. The roller skating party is scheduled for April 19th.
3. Hospitality: Sweet treats will be delivered tomorrow to staff for Valentine's Day. Sign-ups to donate food for conferences will be for March 6th. The March 1st conference will be a catered meal.
4. Yearbook: The students are working on the yearbook. Forms were sent home and can be paid online or a payment sent to school.
5. Book Fair: Held February 26th-March 6th. Sign-up has been sent out to volunteer for a shift(s).
6. School Supplies: Finalized sale dates. Forms will be sent in April and need to be returned by the middle of May.

Meeting Adjourned:

Angela Duster moved to adjourn, Barbara Remer seconded. Adjourned at 8:40 p.m.