

PTO Meeting March 2016 Minutes

Minutes 03/7/2016:

Board members in attendance: Brian Nelson, Megan Webber, Colin Lamb

Also in attendance: Anne Sterrett, Kara Chitwood, Cedra Goldman, Jami Davis, Tanna Padilla, Melanie Chenard, Krista Payne, Kristen Alix

Principal's Report – Safety – Policy is that doors are locked all day when children at school, including the playground. DPS security walked the building recently and suggested the same dropoff-pickup scheme. 8:50 doors are locked, visitors will enter on Park Ave. There will be cameras and wiring for communications.

Teacher interviews – New KG is Ellen Mallan from Stedman. Some switching around with Angela Dire moving to 2nd and Angie Brown moving to 1st.

Tanna and Krista reported on kiss & drop proposal for 5th grades to do brochures and some kind of parking assistance, like a safety patrol.

Romancing the Vine – follow up email coming, raised about \$13,500 net. Agreed to align this with new fundraising strategy.

Budget: Vanessa Pierce to take over Annual Fund. \$94,000 to paras and Stanley next year. Also \$15,000 for electives. May be space for counselor.

STEAM: Fifth grade tessellation project is a go, where to install it. Coordinating K,1,2 with PARCC testing. Mad Science for K & 1 soon.

Volunteers: Should do something nice for teachers retiring, and for Sherry. May 6 last elective, May 12 Gala.

Staff appreciation week is week of May 2.

Community service, clothes drive through student council doing well.

Field Day – discussion about fifth graders at stations. Many parents don't want to volunteer so they can hang with their own kid.

Communications – Alex Quan My School Anywhere - any interest in online directory? Some interest in comms chair, Some interest in more website updates.

Next meeting April 4.

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