



# PTO MEETING MINUTES

## February 18, 2016



### Attendees:

Nicole Donnelly  
Shannon Paulson  
Jill and Scott Van Blarcom  
Michelle Krummenacker  
Jen Marcoe  
LeeAnn Starrett  
Cara Brown  
Amanda Callahan  
Angie Richen  
Karen Morgan  
Cam Kitchen

Start time 6:36pm

### Welcome

- We are collecting emails at meetings to keep everyone up to date on PTO happenings.

### 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher Presentation Regarding Oregon Ballot Measure for Education Funding

- Asking for petition signers.
- Oregon has the lowest corporate rate tax to help education in the country.
- BetterOregon.org
- This is a State of Oregon ballot, not a North Clackamas District ballot
- This tax would only affect businesses with \$25 million in sales and greater.

### November Meeting Minutes Discussion

- Minutes were approved.

### Treasurer's Report (Scott Van Blarcom)

- We have a budget line approved for assemblies. We might try to still do one this year.
  - o Ideas for Assemblies include a dance assembly with Mr. Rovello, Playground Games to learn by Playworks or We Care.
  - o Budget line is \$1200.
- The teachers love the Scholastic Reader, want it again next year.
- Michelle K would be willing to sell berries again this year, if they are ready. Could bring in \$500 - \$1000.
- Treasurer's report was approved.

### **Kitchen's Corner (Principal's Report by Cam Kitchen)**

- We took a tour of the school to see all the great art created by our classes with the help of our Artist in Residence, Larry Verdoorn. This was from a grant won by our school.
- Eagle Landing Apartments update: building 144 new apartments across the street from the school. A new traffic study was done. Expect the build to be completed by 11/2017. Expected to bring about another 30 students to the school.
- Bond info coming soon related to a North Clackamas District Bond.
  - o Capital for building and expansion.
  - o May build new schools.
- Separately, we may have some money from the district this year or next to expand classrooms at Mt. Scott Elementary. The addition would be about four classrooms and an expanded Cafeteria. The money is not stable at the moment, so we are in a holding pattern to determine if it will come our way. This expansion could happen within the next 18 months.
- Cara Brown has a PDF to share from the City of Happy Valley to suggest traffic changes in front of the school at Stevens and Causey.

### **Volunteer Corner (LeeAnn Starrett)**

- So far we have logged over 1300 volunteer hours at MSE. Great job!!
- Discussed Volunteer Appreciation, looking for ideas.

### **President's Corner (Nicole Donnelly)**

- We will need a new Treasurer on our PTO board next year. Looking for volunteers.
- Looking for a Carnival Chairperson for next year. We have lots of people to lead the different sections of the carnival, but we are looking for an overall organizer to keep up on track. We might move the carnival to late winter or early spring.
- LeeAnn will facilitate a meeting to start the discussion.
- On February 25<sup>th</sup> the fourth graders will be putting on a concert using the new instruments purchased by the PTO last year.
- Teachers' wish lists - Nicole polled all of the teachers to find out their big wish list items to see how the PTO might be able to help either this year or next. This is their list:
  - o Kindergarten - Color printer, new or sharpened die cut machine.
  - o 1<sup>st</sup> Grade - Projector mounted on the ceiling so it does not take up so much space.
  - o 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade - Novel Sets for the classroom
  - o 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade - Scholastic News
  - o 4<sup>th</sup> Grade - Chromebook Carts, Scholastic News
  - o 5<sup>th</sup> Grade - Chromebook Carts
  - o Misc. - Mascot Costume (an Eagle, of course!)
- Looking for a parent or two that know how to write grants.
- Next meeting is April 8<sup>th</sup> at 8:30am after the Friday Morning Meeting.

**Meeting Adjourned.**