

## PTSA Board of Directors Meeting

February 21, 2013

Mindy Lincicome called meeting to order at 6:35 pm

Bedtime Stories 6:30 pm, March 7 will be the next General Meeting of the BOD

Will hold PTSA General Meeting before Bedtime Stories begin

Will approve January 17 minutes at the General Meeting

Nomination slate to be posted today – elections at General Meeting on March 7

Ways and Means Committee received 3 more EZGrant requests, will get those approved as soon as possible

Treasurer's Report – as submitted

Finances looking healthy, finalizing 1099 reporting during Feb. Two teachers have used full allocations for enrichment funds. Have disbursed over \$8,000 toward the \$10,000 non-fiction library refresh.

Fundraising – as submitted

Brief discussion of including newly-registered families in distribution of PTSA Newsletter. New way of sharing the newsletter option during K registration is working.

Jog-a-Thon – Kids now running in shifts. This is a fundraising activity, but will be done during classroom hours because of strong health & fitness education component.

Family Dinner Night at Crossroads Bar & Grill very successful. Funds still to be received.

School Services – as submitted

Lunch on the second day of conferences was a big success – Ivar's donated all the clam chowder and parents provided bread, fruit, etc.

Events – nothing to add

Outreach – nothing to add

Extended classes – all going smoothly, schedule now complete for the year.

Faculty/Staff Report on Playground restructuring:

Work done so far in terms of capital improvements to back area – all temporary fixes

Have placed sod, shrubs to make it level with pavement.

First major capital project: Need to cut into hill to make upper playground accessible. We are on list for funds from next school levy if passed. Second project that we are on list for is changing gym to a rubberized floor.

Next piece is talking about playground. Big playground on top is 32 years old – and life expectancy of a playground is 15 years. We have been fortunate that has lasted as long as it has. Now showing its age. Bottom one that is much newer has had breakages, have minor things that need to be replaced.

Little Tikes is the company selected for the project.

For the bottom playground, if we took all of the recommendations, it is \$6200 to repair/replace.

Replacing the big one on the top, have two mock-ups. Our wood fiber can be reused, which does bring cost down. Approximately \$28-33,000. Final cost issue is removal of old playground.

Total cost of project, all in, approximately \$50,000

Little Tikes has a cookie dough selling project. We would get up to a 62% profit due to 50% coming to us, plus \$2 credit per item with Little Tikes.

Now need to connect with Risk Management. Could we have ideas available for parents? Might increase donations via Jog-a-Thon.

Have discussed starting new program for fundraising, had previously felt that existing programs are great. So we believe that focusing attention on the Jog-a-Thon would increase donations and allow us to get the remaining funds we need for the playground. We can also take a significant amount, possibly more than half, out of existing surplus.

Previous years raised approximately \$15-19,000 in Jog-a-Thon.

Timing – since someone may have long term plans around the landscaping, should we wait until capital project of slope has been handled?

All proposed capital project from top of slope down. Possible fencing.

Should we use Jog-a-Thon to fundraise for playground. Feedback that very risky if we ask for money when we aren't sure that we can deliver.

Recommendation that we 1) project end of year balance based on past spending patterns; 2) narrow down ballpark numbers for playground project

In Jog-a-Thon fliers – show things we've done, things we're doing now, and vision of future.

General agreement that we should move ahead with project, including an eventual General Membership vote.

Meeting adjourned 7:33 pm