

Parent Council Meeting Minutes May 20, 2015

Attendees: Jenny Bloomquist, Joanna Lund, Michelle Marvin, Tracy Witter, Susan Blossom, Susan Sullivan, Lori Michelotti, Marika Adamek, Tina Kuney, Heather Bode, Charmaine Barker, Eric Brown, Shannon Brown, Tracy Lorash, Katy Noble, Bruce Campbell, Jodi Robertson

Jenny Bloomquist called the meeting to order at 12:00.

Katy Noble gave the **staff report/update**:

- Smarter-Balanced testing is done for the year.
- Pass moratorium – students not allowed in hallways during classtime, i.e. to go to bathroom, library, other classrooms, etc., unless with teacher; need to plan ahead.
- Some teachers doing cross-town PLC planning, as well as within the building
- Thank you, Parent Council, for providing drinks and donuts during Teacher Appreciation Week!
- Field trips coming up as school winds down
- Students will be turning in their books at the end of the year, so might be a good idea to check these out ahead of time – fines are given for any damage.

Jenny addressed a concern about not all teachers keeping up with updating PowerSchool with grades, stressful for some students as the semester winds down.

Jenny also addressed a concern regarding WEB day for 6th graders, would like to see 6th graders get to actually walk through their schedules. This is hard for each individual student to get to do, since they are all different. Maybe at least try to show them the classrooms they will be going to, even if not the exact schedule for each.

Bruce gave **Principal's Report**:

Changes in staffing for 2015-16 school year

- Mr. Weller retiring from 6th grade social studies;
- Mr. McMahon moving to 6th grade social studies from 8th grade math;
- Mr. Peterson moving to 8th grade math from 7th grade science;
- Mr. Jared Hunt hired for 7th grade science;
- Mrs. Rieley retiring from 7th grade English;
- Mrs. Boutilier moving to 7th grade English from the library; and
- Mrs. Nancy Peterson hired to be one of our librarians.

Caring Cub: one family identified this month, \$200.

Jenny mentioned the desire for better track facilities/equipment. Our facility not as up to par as others in our area.

Approval of April minutes.

Susan Blossom gave **treasurer's report**.

Jenny/Susan Blossom decided to provide drinks/treats for Teacher Appreciation Week, which came to a total of \$102.

More Cubwear sales to be deposited.

Approval of treasurer's report.

Teacher's Requests: Susan went over all requests, listed below, and all were granted!

- \$1500 – Tara Patterson, FLS teacher - teaching supplies such as counter top oven, paper shredder, cooking supplies and food, etc.
- \$1100 – Doug Dellwo, 7th grade math teacher – Smart projector/installation
- \$950 – PE teachers – new elliptical for cardio room
- \$500 – Shannin Preshinger/Suzy Fabian, 8th grade English teachers – classroom sets of novels, The Boy in the Striped Pajamas
- \$400 – Kevin Cleary, 8th grade music teacher – camera tripods and stabilizers
- \$206 – Casey Lyndes, 8th grade industrial tech teacher – 2 welding helmets
- \$240 – Kylie Pancich, 6th grade art/health teacher – 30 one-year “Scholastic Art” subscriptions
- \$250 – Leslie Hagenruber, 7th grade English/science teacher – classroom set of The Outsiders, novel
- \$95 – Krista Boutilier, 7th grade English teacher – classroom set of The Giver novel
- \$80 – Krista Boutilier, 7th grade English teacher – colored printer paper
- \$100 – Mike McGinley, 7th grade math/social studies teacher – audio speakers
- \$70 – Karen Rillahan, 7th grade social studies teacher, 2 cases of earbuds
- \$95 – 6th grade English teachers, one-year subscription to Flocabulary.

Grand Total - \$5586

After replenishing the Caring Cub fund to \$3000, this will leave roughly \$6000 for fall requests.

In Cindy Brooks' absence, Heather Bode gave a **PAC update** – topics included:

- PAL – food quality issue
- More AP/Honors classes in middle schools
- 'IB' program discussion
- Upcoming Bond election – June 18th

Complete minutes can be found on the Superintendent's website.

Cubwear – order forms were sent out to incoming 6th graders with registration packets. Shannon Brown and Sarah Sullivan filled these orders and delivered items to elementary schools. Also, ordered 10 additional small t-shirts and 10 additional small hoodies to replenish our stock.

7th Grade Career Fair: Mary Anderson was inquiring for some help/volunteers with the 7th grade career fair. A BIG thank you to those that helped out with this endeavor.

Items on the agenda for 2015-16:

- Jenny working on by-laws
- New fundraiser – get away from cookie dough – possibly raffle a steer
- Lunchtime activities
- WEB/student council relationship
- State of the School
- 8th grade end of year party?
- Joint CRA/HMS parent council meeting?

Officers for the 2015-16 school year:

Chairperson: Charmaine Barker

Vice Chair: Shannon Brown

Treasurer: Tracy Witter

Would like to keep holding the lunchtime Parent Council meetings next year.

Meeting adjourned at 1:20 p.m.

Have a great summer!