

Westowne Elementary School PTA

April 2, 2014

Meeting Minutes

Present: 31 attendees

Meeting called to order by Denise Avara at 7:04pm

February and March minutes approved as written

President's Report: Denise Avara

1. Thank you to all who made the Book Fair & Literature Night a huge success!!
2. Vote on scholarships - \$300 to Western Tech, \$300 to CHS
3. Tables – were purchased and used for Book Fair
  - a. Thanks to Mr. Stallings and Mr. Ritzes for help
4. Vote on appropriation of money to pay for Ms. Johnson's training from prior meeting
  - a. Motion to move \$250 from Green School Training passed
5. Plant sale pick up to be Thursday before Mother's Day
  - a. Switched nurseries this year, flyer to come home Friday 4/4
6. Claire's update – \$1215.70 raised, thank you to Tracy Horch for coordinating!
7. Movie Night – Friday 4/25 – Frozen planned
8. Field Day – time to start planning
9. Orioles Fundraiser – Jessica Tartal presented on the O's Reach High Five program
  - a. \$15 discounted tickets, looking at 6/13 for Westowne night
10. Website – Patricia Wright handing off baton to Justine Stull
11. Upcoming Board Position Elections
  - a. Denise reviewed the required procedures for voting and ballot counting
12. Introduction of the Nominating Committee – Jen Nyland, Jessica Tartal, Mary Peters
13. Nominating committee chairperson, Mary Peters, read the names of the nominees for each board position
14. Grilled Cheese & Co. night planned for end of April

Vice President's Report: Lori Kleppin

1. Literature Night recap – Lori offered her congrats to the committee for a job well done, special thanks to Noël and Mary for running the photo booth and Melody for running the Book Fair
2. Teacher Appreciation Week – ideas being generated, week of 5/5-5/9

Vice President's Report: Miranda McClain



Treasurer's Report: Laura Blank

1. Treasurer's report was reviewed

Secretary's Report: Jessica Brown

1. Safeway, Giant news... - reported updated totals for both programs
  - a. Giant - \$1752.55 – program done for this year
  - b. Safeway - \$2056.71
  - c. Target total - \$243.91
    - i. ½% Target Visa card donation has been eliminated

Principal's Report: Mrs. Patrick

1. Mrs. Patrick gave a presentation on the discipline policy
2. Picture Day is 4/9
3. We have gained another 4<sup>th</sup> grade teacher, paraeducators and a new trailer (for 2014-15)
4. Screen Free Week meeting 4/3 after school, prizes needed and volunteers for events
5. Middle school visits for 5<sup>th</sup> graders planned
6. 10 elementary schools will be piloting Spanish in 2014-15

Teacher Liaison: Judy Robey

1. Screen Free week planned for 5/5-9

Green School: Carol Schexnayder

1. Green Club members have been chosen

5<sup>th</sup> Grade update: Kerry Johnston & Cathy Ritzes

1. Recognition ceremony will be during the day this year

BoxTops – Patricia Wright

1. Campbell's Labels rep needed

Ideas/Suggestion corner

1. Mary Peters is working with Mrs. Patrick on teacher's wishlists for School Kidz kits
2. Susan Larsen offered to be the Amazon Smile coordinator
3. Noël offered to be the GT Liaison
4. Melissa offered to be the Special Ed Liaison

Raffle was won by Kristen Scrabis and Judy Robey

Meeting was adjourned at 8:59pm