

PTA Meeting

November 4, 2014

Board in Attendance:

Tara Stocker, Jodi Manwaring, Mike Doleac, Cindi Robinson, Shelly Barratt

Welcome – Meeting called to order

School News – Mr. Gomez

SAGE RESULTS: Test that measures the common core standards/roadmap

Email went out to parents, individual student reports will go out to parents/students in a few weeks. Parents will receive a guide to understand results.

PPES 3rd, 4th and 5th grade did well in Language Arts, Math and Science

State Average – PPES 10-15% above state average

PPES was in the 50th percentile where the state was in the 40th percentile- we could be doing better- in comparison with the other 3 schools we were in the top 2 in math, and comparable to language arts and science.

P30 is working well and PPES is the only school doing that.

Galileo Testing: Was given in October and those results will be coming out as well. The district is trying to compile results in an efficient manner for parents.

Galileo measures 2nd grade + what they will be learning in their current grade level. Teachers can start looking at the data and can assess where their students are and can move on as needed.

4th grade has a new teacher Rachel Taylor and that new class will start on Friday Nov 7th and will put non dual immersion classes at 21 students each.

3rd grade DI teacher still in process, long term sub has worked out so far

STAR reading program? WHY PPES the only school that didn't do it. This program is done through AmeriCorps and we did not do it because it is an AmeriCorps program but is one on one and we have enough programs and aides in place. David willing to look at it.

PACE Overview – Janice Ugaki

Program for Accelerated Children in Education

GATE historically has been a pull out program where PACE is a push in program.

We needed 3 additional people to assist the program and funds were raised \$180K to hire these individuals and to have DeEtte Earl actually at school who is one of the most experienced in the district. She used to reach 25 kids a week and now can reach 50-60 kids a day.

Level 1, Has been in every classroom K-5 multiple times to promote critical thinking.
Level 2 – is a push in program- if a student is 90% above in a specific area pre-test for the week, that child has the opportunity to be pulled out
Level 3 – learning is still pull out 3,4,5th graders that were identified through testing

She has been helping in P30 with critical writing and help 5th graders write at a higher accelerated level.

EATS - Lara Chho

Eat Awesome Things at School – initiative to promote healthy eating, monthly taste tests where local farmers have donated vegetables for the kids to try.

Cucumbers and tomatoes.

After School cooking classes are being offered at McPolin

Sue Woolstenhulme does a great job already to support healthy eating.

Working closely with child nutrition services in Summit County.

Trailside has started a program where local vendors donate sourcing for school lunch

Long term vision is to have school lunch prepared from scratch

LiveWell Assemblies – IHC did a theatrical presentation and talked with 3rd-5th graders on eating healthy

Community Garden- Possibility to do an outdoor garden

Example Garden Club at Ecker has taught kids about gardening, composting

Reflections Preview – Jodi Manwaring

Stephanie Donovan update from Reflections – Reflections in Art competition -

Fliers are out, posters are up.

Theme: Make the World a Better Place

Entries are Due November 25th

Book Fair Update – Jodi Manwaring

Sold 13,669/ We keep \$8,201 in scholastic money

Fundraising – Sara Sergent

Travel Clean – 318 cards were sold –just under \$5500

Amazon Smiles – has been promoted via bookmarks, fliers

first check \$1100 was received

Smiths – Parents need to register online for the Smiths program

Spending Update – Tara Stocker

We have fulfilled teacher requests

Jr. Great Books

Kitchen Play Set

Privacy Shields for testing

Field Day Equipment (approx \$400)

Mr. Webb's transport request to Utah Symphony

SCRIPS National Spelling Bee travel to DC \$130
Request from Library – needs a Globe Stand \$500 is cost for now
Books for new 5th Grade D/I teacher – need to assist with resources

Budget Overview – Mike Doleac

Budget Looks good we are in a surplus position for now
We have budgeted for \$12K for teacher requests
We would like to have at least \$5K in the budget to carry over for next year

Used book fair the 4th grade has some money to spend – Manuel Maravi has the funds.

The entire 4th grade needs to use the money collectively- does not fall under PTA- maybe use Rendezvous

Open PTA Positions

Science Fair Chair – Sara Sergent has agreed to assist with Science Fair. The Date has been set for January 29th 8a-8pm

DeEtte Earl is happy to Co-Chair – 3-5th GATE kids have to participate

Need a Chair – so we can registration online so we can start

DeEtte Earl will push into classrooms to discuss the scientific method

Really just need to organize volunteers and judges and possibly hire a science type entertainment. \$1K budget.

Communications Chair need someone to assist with communication and to push news – Facebook could be more utilized

Masterpieces of Art Overview – Shelly Barratt

Have art parents from all classes – Each room parent has a binder

The bins are being reorganized by project

Art Room parent meeting Next Tuesday, November 11th

Three times a year- will try to coordinate when teachers have a sub to supplement classroom activities

This is in addition to the Art Program currently being run by the Art Specialist Melissa Allen.

Some of the flags from the Jasper Johns project were selected to be on display at the Kimball Art Center and will also be sent down to display to at the Veterans Hospital

Additional News

Books and Beyond program – under review

LivePC Give Pc

Friday, November 7th A-Z Reading Program

Community presentation on SAGE, Galileo and DiBELS

by Dr. Conley, Dr. Einhorn and Tim Conley

Thursday, November 13 at 6pm in the high school lecture hall