

EIS PTA Unit Meeting Minutes March 12, 2009, 7:00-8:00 pm

- A. Call Meeting to Order- 7:08 p.m.
- B. Presentation of Flags-Tiger Cub Scouts
- C. Welcome-Rob Wright
- D. Approval of February 5, 2009 PTA meeting minutes. Motion: Miranda Paulter, 2nd Marci Powers. Motion passed.
- E. Principal Report- Ms. Strow makes reminder of her availability by phone, email, appointment.
- F. Officer Report
 - a. President Report-Rob Wright- No report.
 - b. 2nd Vice President Report- Dana Drummond
 - i. Board nominating committee report for 2009-2010 PTA board elections. Slate of officer nominations known to nominating committee announced to unit. Discussion opened to unit for additional nominations from the floor. Mary Ann Allbritton nominated Jessica Holtzscher for President. Present candidates introduced themselves. Rob Wright informed unit about candidate Jennifer Seely in her absence. Motion for approval of uncontested nominations made by Steve Benway. Second by Donna Nix. Motion passed. Ballots presented to unit for election of president. Candidates: Jennifer Seely and Jessica Holtzscher. Holtzscher elected.
 - ii. Strategic Planning - Fifty one volunteers at this point. Staff will also be on committees. Plan circulated for review.
 - c. Treasurer Report-Kevin Tillman- Current Profit and Loss Budget passed out to unit. Fiestivale slated to raise ~\$35,000. PTA balance ~\$13,200. Library Fund balance~\$5,200. Proposed budget for the 2009-2010 school year will be presented at the May unit meeting. Budget requests need to be brought to Mr. Tillman before that time.
- G. New Business
 - a. Request for budget modification for continuing education. Aaron Gates and Kristi Palmer would like to attend The Center for Advanced Research on Language Acquisition (CARLA) conference at the University of Minnesota this summer. Ms. Palmer presents rationale for the 5 day immersion training. Training to include history behind education, networking with other program throughout the country. Motion made for continuing education budget increase by Kim Hutton and second by Hannah Middlebrook. Motion passed.
 - b. PTA bylaws- Dana Drummond presents printed proposal for changes to PTA bylaws. Allowed members to time to read proposed changes. Lane Wilson objects to proposed increase in PTA dues from \$4 to \$5 per person annually, in Article V, Section 7 of the bylaws. \$1.75 of each member's dues goes to national PTA and \$.75 goes to State PTA. Emily Hill proposed clarification of statement in Article VI; Section 5 to read: *Further, a person cannot serve on the executive board and/or act as chair of **any** standing committees **in any position** for more than six consecutive years.* Motion made to approve bylaw changes with the exception of article V, by

Jay Loegering, second by Adam Balogh. Motion passed. Motion to Raise PTA dues and change article V made by Anna America, Second: Bren Milleson. Motion passed.

H. Committee Chairs/Affiliate Reports

- a. Fiestvale, April 18th, 2009 Christy Blystone- Invitations sent in backpacks tomorrow in blue vinyl home and back folders. Blue vinyl folders do not usually go home before breaks. Please return. Thank you to alumni parent, Sara Hathcoat who made invitations at a reduced price. Fiestvale volunteer opportunities: Dessert auction (contacts: Sandra Elbon and Karen Bruns), family baskets, class projects. Live auction items include: class projects, Dave Cook signed guitar, Las Vegas time share for June 25-28th. Silent auction items include: Teacher treasures, family baskets. Committee needs a "Dress-down day" parent volunteer to help with collection of change that students bring. Target language raising the most money will earn a free dress up day. Parent and BOK employee Carmela Grantham will count the change. Collection period will be April 6th or April 13th (~2 week period). On line auction will be on website soon. Lance and Bren Milleson volunteers overseeing the check-in, check-out process have pre-pay auction software. They still need 3 laptops, 5 people and 2 printers to be volunteered. Volunteers will collect bid sheets, enter data of winning bids and check guests out. Patron Party starts at 5:00p.m., one hour before general reservations open at 6:00 p.m. This will help with lines. Fiestvale proceeds will fund strategic plan results. A handout with the six categories targeted for funds was disbursed to unit.
- b. Fund development Chair report- Miranda Paulter- Qdoba Fundraiser night- February 24th raised \$40. At Miranda's request a show of hands indicates interest in more restaurant nights. Stephanie Wheeler asks for a PTA tip jar at the restaurant during EIS night. Also asks for flier to be on website incase printed copy lost. Teachers ask for notification. They are not in the EIS ALL communications. Constant contact PTA families and staff are separate categories. Spiffy's receipts for January, February, March due this month. "No brainer" fundraisers on website.
- c. EISF- Golf tournament March 30th. Chip Ard reports players needed for scramble. Players do not need to have EIS affiliation. Golf and lunch at Meadowbrook for \$85 per player. Lane Wilson reviews Foundation purpose.

I. Announcements/Open-

- a. Ms Worthy reports *Jump-rope for heart* raised \$3400 for American Heart Association. 72 entries for Saint Patricks day run. Upcoming runs include: Get Fit Tulsa on April 11, Zarrow Run on April 25 (supporting high school athletic program, and the Cinco de Mayo run. Can work toward Triple Crown award with participation in 3 runs.
- b. Hannah Middlebrook-Rummage Sale- March 28th.
- c. TPS Nutrition Services PowerPoint presentation on the school lunch program- May unit meeting.
- d. Building and Grounds Committee- EIS Landscape Master Plan Presentation-introduced by Jessica Holtzcher and presented by Mr. Szafranski. Two years spent on concept. Initial guidance by Starla Fussell parent and landscape architect. First grade French parent, Carl

Szafranski, volunteered firm for donated master plan. Presentation based on compilation of easements and google photos and presented on Smartboard.

Components of presentation included:

- Revision of the north parking lot (tear out and new build)
- Creation of
 - covered bus area,
 - fenced (but not locked) outdoor cafeteria,
 - fenced outdoor reading area by library,
 - outdoor storage by gymnasium,
 - outdoor teaching patio,
 - outdoor teaching garden (with compost pile, potting shed, rain water harvesting elements),
 - South side waiting plaza for improved flow of afterschool pick up.

Concept highlights included increased parking spaces in north lot, controlled traffic circulation for safety in north lot, indigenous, low-maintenance plant materials, and emphasis on sustainability with the teaching garden. White house north of school would be removed under this plan.

Wholesale pricing is available for materials with this firm's proposal. Up with trees can donate trees to project. Rough pricing indicates ~\$500,000 for tear out and revision of north parking lot. Teaching garden estimated ~20,000-\$25,000. EIS Foundation could be utilized for holding reserve funds. Out-door auditory performance center not included on this concept. Spatial feasibility not verified in current phase of plans. Independent survey quoted to Szafranski firm ~\$6,500. Survey may be available for free by an EIS parent volunteer with the commitment that the survey will be utilized. This project has a minimum time-line estimate of 10 years. Unclear if project pace in public school led by parent volunteers and parent organizations could satisfy commitment requirement of the volunteer surveyor. Survey is first priority for project. Rob Wright suggests adjourning the discussion with the information provided and revisit at the next meeting.

J. Adjournment- Motion made by Stacy Strow. Second by Dana Drummond. Adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

**REMINDER: DON'T MISS THE LAST PTA MEETING OF THE YEAR ON 5/14/2009
SPRING FLING 5/16, 2009**