

Beagle Elementary PTO  
Meeting Minutes  
March 13, 2017

In attendance: Amy Ellsworth, Nikki Selleck, Kristy Welch, Cindy Hoskins, Lindsay Shafer, Beth Curran, Kari Oberdank, and Meghan Ritchey.

The meeting was called to order at 6:38 pm.

**Approval of the Agenda.**

Lindsay Shafer moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Nikki Selleck.. The agenda was approved.

**Approval of the Minutes from our last meeting.**

Kari Oberdank moved to approve the Minutes from the February 13, 2017 meeting, seconded by Lindsay Shafer. The Minutes were approved.

**Principal Report-Dawn Kennaugh. (absent)**

The elementary principals are giving a presentation to the Board of Education tonight, so I won't be able to attend tonight's PTO meeting. Here's my report:

--Thank you to Tamara Lipsey & all volunteers for a successful Science Night!

-- We are having fun w/ reading month:

- book swap each Wednesday
- Fun Fridays--green this Friday; pajamas next Friday (3/24); Beach Day on Thurs. 3/30
- Book brackets: voting delayed because of not having school last Thurs & Fri. We have a plan to catch up by the end of this week.
- Guest Readers: "famous" people such as Representative Tom Barrett, Mayor Smith, & Senator Rick Jones, along w/ GLPS personnel: myself, Katie Goff, Dr. Metcalf
  - teachers sign up for a day & time for the readers, so not every class has each reader

-- Our Annual Education Report is posted on our web page. Each school is required to complete one each year. The cover letter gives an overview of our school: curriculum, parent/teacher conference attendance, test results, etc.. The Consolidated Report gives lots of detail about the MSTEP.

-- The MSTEP testing window begins for 5th grade right after spring break. The testing window for 3rd, 4th, & 6th grades begins on 5/1. Each testing window lasts 4 weeks. Look for information in our upcoming newsletters.

- We are participating in the GLEAP food drive this week. We are collecting non-perishable breakfast food & pantry items and toiletries.
- I do not have information about making up time because of days off, but hope to get information soon.

### President Report-Kristy Welch

- The Read-A-Thon is underway. So far, 90 student pages have been created and 47 of those have donations. We have currently raised \$2330. The PTO portion of that is \$1750. So, we have a ways to go. Donations will continue to be collected through March 26. So far the top collecting classes are Briggs, Justema, Parish, and Nyman.
- At our next meeting, the slate of nominees for next year's officers will be presented. If you are interested in running for a board position, come to the meeting. Additional nominations can be taken at both the April and May meetings.

### Vice President Report-Nikki Selleck

- Box Tops: Cindy Hoskins - Parish and Snyder both got pizza for the last contest. They were within 10 box tops and shared the party together. Cindy has talked with Lise Mitchell at the Grand Ledge Library about putting a canister out for box top donations. Lise said that we could try it for 6 months.
- Spirit Wear: Lindsay has talked with Miss LaCasse about an art contest for the t-shirt design.

### Secretary Report-Amy Ellsworth

- Mileage Club- Online signup has begun. 258 students are registered so far. The sign up genius for volunteers is also being shared. That is going very well, but we still have open slots.

### Treasurer Report-Beth Curran

- Mr. Moore purchased new golf and bowling equipment for the gym. He used his teacher allowance for part of it, but is requesting the additional \$253.16 come from the WishList. Amy Ellsworth moved to approved \$253.16 from Wishlist for gym equipment, seconded by Lindsay Shafer. The motion passed.

### Public Relations Report-Kari Oberdank

- Kari will be sending an email to all the teachers with language that they can forward to parents about the Read-a-Thon as another way to draw parents' attention to it.

### Activities Coordinator Report-Lindsay Shafer

- Science Night was a success despite school being closed that day. . About 100-130 people came. Big thank you to the judges, and the parents, staff, and custodians for all the help with set up.
- Silent Auction/Family Fun Night is April 28. Kristy Welch is chairing the Auction and Kate Jenkins is chairing the Family Fun Night. Kate has spent some time sorting through items in the closet to see what we have left over from previous years.

--Teacher Appreciation Week. Lindsay is planning 5 separate days, which may have different people in charge. Cindy is going to handle bagels and cream cheese for Tuesday. Other ideas discussed include a fruit day (using sign up genius to have parents bring items in) and a restock of some supplies. Also considering lottery tickets or chair massages.  
--Carlyn Ross and Amy Kleeman are chairing 6th Grade Recognition.

### Old Business

--No old business.

### New Business

--We looked over some catalogs from Cherrydale. This would be a similar fundraiser to the Kleinman catalogs we had this fall. We had some administrative issues with that company this year. The Cherrydale catalogs seemed to have a good variety and a slightly lower price. If we sign with them now for the fall, we can get a discount for Oriental Trading Company through them for 20-40% off. The discount would be good the rest of this year and next.

### Announcements

--Next meeting is April 10, 2017 at 6:30

### Adjournment

--The meeting was adjourned at 7:37.