

Meridian Park PTSA
Board Meeting
April 2, 2013

Action items are in bold

Call to order:

The board meeting of the Meridian Park PTSA was called to order in the Meridian Park library at 6:35pm by PTSA President Brian Heagler. Members had been informed about the meeting through newsletter, MP and PTSA web sites, MP PTSA Facebook page and notices in Boomerangs. Those present: Rachel Ariss, Adrienne Thompson, Aileen Lu, Denise Dana, Dana Doerksen, Jill Steinberg, Jodi Forschmiedt, Tracy Bjerkeset, Tracey Poole, Krista Keller, Amy Jessee, Jenny Hillger, and Emmanuel Gnanapragasam

Welcome and Introductions:

Everyone was welcomed, no introductions were necessary

Secretary's Report:

The minutes of the General Meeting held March 5, 2013 were approved as written.

Critical Updates:

Willy Wonka: about at break even point, keep as a fund raiser. More discussion in May

Golden Acorn: Shannon Brown and Rachel Ariss

Outstanding Educators: Jean Phelan and Matt Reiman

Car Show: more information in May

Club Protocol: finalize in May; forms will be e-mail to board; discussion about whether clubs are PTSA supported vs. sponsored

Nominating Committee: next year's board branching out, getting more people involved

Treasurer's Report:

Attached

Grants:

Jodi presented the Grant Committee recommendations for the spring round. There were six applications, five of which the committee recommends funding – at least partially. The complete recommendations are attached to these minutes. Brian made a motion to accept the committee recommendations; Tracey seconded. All were in favor, none opposed, motion passed.

This is Jodi's final year at Meridian Park and she will no longer be chairing the Grants Committee. Jodi recommended the committee be co-chaired by Lee Lambert and Karli Larson. The recommendation will be voted on at the next general meeting

Vice President Updates:

Clubs: status quo

Membership: Ann out next year, need someone to fill in, maybe Aileen Lu

Communications: Chatter deadline is the first Wednesday of the month

Volunteers: Book Fair filled

Legislative: Adrienne reported there is still a \$2.3 billion shortfall. Senate in special session until April 28. Senate has no budget; House has no budget; talk of closing tax loopholes and/or extending current taxes

President's Report:

Calendar: Open House/Book Fair April 11
MSP testing in May
Arts Festival / Volunteer Recognition Event: May 21

Teacher Representative Report:

Jenny reported that the Read-a-Thon was a success. Literary events went well. Book Fair April 8-12. Info regarding the Arts Festival will be going home in Boomerangs after break

Principal's Report:

Breakfast of C.H.A.M.P.S on Friday, April 12
CleanScapes award for reducing waste through recycling to be shared by Meridian Park, Parkwood \$6,000

New Business:

The idea of Brown Bear Car Wash coupons as a fund raiser for 2014 sixth grade class camp fund was discussed. The coupons sell for \$5 and are good for one year. In order to get the camp fund up and running it was recommended that a line item be added for "Class of 2020." Rachel made a motion to add the line item, Tracey seconded. All were in favor, none opposed, motion carried.

Adjournment:

8:34 pm

Respectfully submitted by:

Janina Pacunski, Secretary