***MINUTES***

Steck Elementary PTSA

General Meeting

***February 19, 2019 / 8:15 am / Steck Cafeteria***

***IN ATTENDANCE***

Jen Monks

Mr. Almon

Tennaly Fortier

Elizabeth Kaplansky

Laura Guggenheimer

Alicia Kintner

Mirriah Elliot

Derek Zunker

Katy Barton

***APPROVAL OF MINUTES***

The minutes were read from the January 15, 2019 meeting and [approved/updated].

Jen Monks approved with minor update to the Steck Dance date is now 4/12/2019

***CALL TO ORDER***

Jen Monks called the meeting to order at 8:20 am (MST) and Laura Guggenheimer recorded the minutes.

***BUSINESS***

***REPORTS***

President Report – Jen Monks

* Auction is doing well with Cherry Creek donations hit hard on parent shop around this month.
* Auction is missing big ticket items for the live auction
  + Trying to get Disneyland tickets
* Checking on legality of the lottery ticket idea from Tennaly Fortier
* Buy-A-Share parties going well
  + currently at 13
  + Halloween party added to the list (Alicia Kintner and Tennaly Fortier)
* Late Starts
  + Jen Monks has heard from parents concerning this policy - what are our options?
  + Mirriah Elliot responded that she would look into this because the bell schedule has been turned in already for next year.
    - Jen Monks says this is a hardship especially for the working parents
    - Suggestion to tack it onto a long weekend.
    - Mirriah Elliot said that it is hard to have one at one time because it needs to be more often – needs to be once a month
    - Mirriah Elliott suggested that she would ask Discovery Link to have enrichment during the late start.

Secretary Report – Laura Guggenheimer

* Jen Monks made motion to accept minutes with minor update to the date of the Steck Dance to 4/12/2019. Liz Kaplansky 2nd the motion and the minutes from January were approved without dissent.

Treasurer Report – Liz Kaplansky

* No numbers but doing fine!
* Money has started to come in to the bank account for the auction – increasing our balance
* CSC has told us that we will need more money to maintain current staff
* Adding a parent to the health/front office instead of a para…?
* Annual fund needs help for this!
  + Add link

Communications Director Report – Laura Guggenheimer

* No report

Teacher Appreciation Chair Report - Alicia Kintner and Maribel Barragan

* Monthly coffee and planning for teacher appreciation week

Room Parent Coordinator - Tennaly Fortier

* No report

Fundraising Chair – Derek Zunker

* Money found to fund the Big Ass Fan
* We realize that we need to pressure district to get money
  + Jen Monks – suggests having a board position that deals with DPS to get money
* Wahoo next Tuesday – stickers to put on the kids
* Chipotle for May and done for the year

Membership Chair - Alecia Zunker

* No report

Community Service Chair – Alecia Zunker

* No report

Technology - Mr. Almon

* Email to thank parents during the strike

Principal Report – Mirriah Elliott

* Three retirements for next year
  + Holly Grady and others
* Two resignations
  + Kat Wallach and Liz Riggleman
* Maturnity Leave – one teacher all year long
* Tracy Hallogan - para position RIBBED
  + Doesn’t affect PTSA funding since this position was after the fact
  + DPS already said no to funding to replace this para
  + Asked DPS for $140k including a Dean role instead of Assistant Principal and a math/scientist coach,
    - DPS, here is your budget now you figure out how to cover the raises
    - Robin Kline was .9 hourly without benefits
    - $140k charged for future principal with benefits
    - Not paying for Assistant Principal for next year
* Ann Warner - position is RIBBED at front desk
* Mirriah Elliot position as Assistant Principal is RIBBED
* Restorative Conflict position and school psychologist still be in next year’s budget
* Principal will be the administration
* Jen Monks requested for the list of requests made to DPS that were denied
* Office Staff next year
  + Financial specialist – works for several schools (Bromwell does this and it is a success)
    - Doesn’t work on site
  + Office Support 2 – more specialized but also more money
  + Open up front desk as a volunteer position
* 335 students for next year – excluding ECE number
* Kinder para – part time
  + Jen Monks suggested that we need to keep her
  + PTSA would like to pay for this part time para

Adjournment at 9:05am