***MINUTES***

Steck Elementary PTSA

General Meeting

***December 18, 2018 / 8:15 am / Steck Cafeteria***

***IN ATTENDANCE***

***APPROVAL OF MINUTES***

The minutes were read from the November 27, 2018 meeting and [approved/updated].

***CALL TO ORDER***

Jen Monks called the meeting to order at [TIME] (MST) and Laura Guggenheimer recorded the minutes.

***BUSINESS***

***REPORTS***

President Report – Jen Monks

Secretary Report – Laura Guggenheimer

Treasurer Report – Liz Kaplansky

Communications Director Report – TBD

Teacher Appreciation Chair Report - Alicia Kintner and Maribel Barragan

Room Parent Coordinator - Tennaly Fortier

Fundraising Chair – Derek Zunker

Membership Chair - Alecia Zunker

Community Service Chair – Alecia Zunker

Auction Report - Jenny Shaver

Jen Monks – President

* Communications from the CSC with repeats of information
* Problem with teachers not using BCC on emails
  + Instructed Mr. Almond to go over this issue with the teachers to prevent this problem
* Teacher and staff gifts – CheddarUp link closed and Jen Monks and Liz Kaplansky to get money today to distribute to teachers

Mr. Almond – Librarian and Tech

* Communication
  + 3 Avenues with the PTSA
    - Website
    - Classroom communications
    - Newsletters, app, email blast
  + Looking to next year to use just one app to streamline
  + The office side is the newsletter sent out weekly
* Technology Update
  + Updated the 5th grade chromebooks ($200 per computer)
    - Older chromebooks with Kinder and 1st grade for iReady
    - Rest went to English language classroom
    - Second round of $5k tech bond money
      * Teacher computer upgrade ($900 per computers MacBook Airs)
        + These computers drive their teaching lesson using these laptop
        + Grades, attendance, etc
        + Active inspire is used to power boards
    - Need for 5th and 4th grade to do math curriculum (floating cart)
  + District is pushing for funding to come beyond the tech bond money
    - Adding money to the budget for technology purposes only

Secretary – Laura Guggenheimer

* Minutes from the November 27th meeting were passed.
* Jen Monks made motion to accept minutes and Liz Kaplansky seconded the motion, passed without dissent.

Principal Report – Robin Kline

* Pavilion finished just waiting for the concrete to cure
  + Furniture?
    - Use auction to help get furniture for the pavilion
  + Would like to use this for outdoor instruction
* Principal survey sent out and due Friday from parents for new Principal search
  + Surveys carry a lot of weight in this search
  + Parent suggested that the survey should be added to the email blast but it already went out last Friday
* Enrollment projection (10 fewer kids so $70k below the budget for next year)
  + Weighing smaller class sizes to deal with the enrollment
  + Laura Miller resigned yesterday, she is moving to Kansas.
  + Pregnancies 3rd and 5th grades
* Holiday giving a success, all presents donated
* Potential teacher strike
  + New superintendant feels confident that this will be resolved
    - This is a real possibility of happening in January
  + The contract expires end of January, if no negotiation reached strike may happen.
  + This will be a real problem since there are not enough substitute teachers to fill in
  + Governor’s budget is not released yet and this will be a big part of this

Treasurer – Liz Kaplansky

* We have paid 90% of the big ticket items for this year.
* Boosterthon has been paid
* Bank Account is at ~$110k

Communications – Courtney Levkulich (newsletter)

Fundraising Chair – Derek Zunker

Community Service Chair – Alecia Zunker

* Hill toy drive is still on past the deadline
* Success of the thanksgiving drive should be in the newsletter
* Steck has a coat locker but Steck doesn’t have the need that Hill does

Auction Report – Courtney Levkulich

* $3k committed to sponsorship
* January will be a push to find volunteers, donations, etc
* Steck Gala – Reach for the Stars theme
* Jen Monks in charge of buy-a-shares
  + Scavenger hunt needs a new host family

Teacher Appreciation Chair – Alecia Zunker (giving Alicia Kintner’s report)

* Cookies needed for tomorrow by 3pm for cookie gifts to teachers

Boosterthon – Courtney Levkulich

* Waiting to hear from Boosterthon to see if they want to work with us again
* We need to shelve this until we hear back
* Robin Kline will ask teachers at the staff meeting tomorrow for their input on the usage of Boosterthon

Steck Dance – Jen Monks

* 3rd or 4th week of February – we need a date for this event
* The 18th is Presidents day
  + We are thinking of 22nd
  + Co-chairs:
    - Sabrina Zunker and Amy Fabian
  + Co-chairs want to make event free but sell the food
  + Collect socks for this event?

Passive Fundraising

* King Soopers cards still bringing in money reliably

Adjourned 8:59am