

MINUTES

STECK PTSA

February 1, 2023 | Meeting called to order at 5:45pm by Amy O'Brien, PTSA President

Attendance

See attendance log for list of attendees; total number in attendance was 13.

Minutes

Minutes from previous meeting were approved by Ramona Harris and seconded by Lindsay Washington.

Board

President: Amy O'Brien amy.y.obrien1@gmail.com

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Budget

- **Budget Summary from Crista Kuhn: \$121,000** currently in the bank. Katie Fogarty has checks coming in from Chipotle \$502 and King Soopers \$357.
 - Reminder to encourage teachers to use grant requests. (Only 3 so far this year)
- **Vote on teacher grant: 1st grade** would like decodable books \$475.20

Details: Requested by Sylvia Doud, 1st grade teacher.

"I'd like to order a set of decodable books for small group reading. Based on the various reading levels in my class, I'd like to order the k/1 series, as well as the 2nd-4th grade series. Providing students with decodable readers during small group time will provide them with extra practice in developing their literacy skills. I'd like to set this system up as a "book club" to provide students with additional practice in discussing books beyond the CKLA curriculum. To do that I need books that are decodable at different reading levels, and a set of five so that each student may have their own book during the small group time."

Of students impacted: 20

- **Approved** unanimously by PTSA.

Principal's Report

Ron Salazar Update:

- **\$113,100.00** is the number needed from PTSA (3 para's)
- Budget almost done. "Everything currently is still in the red but the carry over money from the saved SPED position will barely put us in green".
- Operation costs are down.
- Losing up to 3 staff positions.
 - "Conversations on next steps are being had in the coming weeks with staff members".
- Shifting from a STL model to a learning specialist/ or team lead model will require a staffing adjustment.
 - Currently leaning toward dropping 1 para
 - Going from 3 first grade classes to 2
 - Full time Para needed in kindergarten. 1/2/3 grade and 4/5 grade split for other 2 para positions

- Reminder that there will also be a literacy interventionist and math interventionist. Certified support versus all para support.

Teacher Rep Update (Luis Rios): Thank you for recess and lunch support. **Support is still needed!!!**

Committee Reports

- **Fundraising:**
 - **Upcoming Event Updates:**
 - **Special Persons Day: Volunteers Needed!!**
 - Need volunteers and to decide on:
 - Date and Time Frame
 - What to serve and where to get it from
 - Handouts, QR codes, electronic communication
 - Charge or ask for donations?
 - **Dance: Volunteers Needed!!**
 - Decide on date and theme?
 - End of testing celebration in April? Looking at dates.
 - DJ (looking into 2 options of a volunteer Dad or the DJ being used for the fun run)
 - Free event
 - Food truck
 - Katie F. could facilitate a raffle opportunity?
 - **Fun Run:**
 - May 5, 2023.
 - First meeting this week, everything is locked down.
 - DJ secured with party truck **\$600**
 - The ask is for every kid to raise **\$100**
 - Plan to engage the teachers early with incentives they can offer their kids for raising the most money
 - School wide T-shirts
 - **Next meeting Feb 28th**, Frank and Rose coffee shop right after drop-off.
 - Looking for a parent **volunteer** to learn the ropes and take over head planning for upcoming year(s).
- **Grounds crew (Katie Barton):**
 - A lot of space on the campus to do some new things!
 - Completed a walk through and are now starting to implement ideas.
 - Building buddy benches.
 - Classes can paint things with their handprints.
 - All sustainable ideas.
 - **A call for volunteers**, anyone with any knowledge of planting please share.
 - Clean up prior to Fun Run.
 - Redoing the flags and flowers around the polls.
 - Looking for scheduled help over the summer.
- **Communications (Katie Neff):**
 - **Volunteers Needed!!** for recess/lunch coverage.
 - Offering incentives for volunteers (discount/coupon cards)
- **Room Parents (Ramona Harris):**
 - Working with Mackie (librarian) to help with the website update.
 - Possibility of adding another book fair.
 - Brainstorming Ideas/ Things we have to offer new families:
 - Welcome packet/gift (Steck gear/yard signs)
 - Family Outreach Group
- **Teacher Staff Appreciation (Stacie Loucks):**
 - Upcoming Plan:
 - Setting up something for the teachers the long weekend in February. Maybe Chipotle.
 - Teacher Appreciation week in May.

Additional Items

Announcements

Volunteers needed to plan Special Persons Day and School Dance!! Please contact any board member if interested!

Walk On Items/Follow Ups

- New Family Event for Summer

Upcoming Events

2/6-2/8 (2023) – Dine Out: Walter’s 303 Pizzeria (200 Quebec St)

Week before Spring Break? - Special Persons Day

April 14 or 21st – Dance (celebrating the end of testing)

5/1-5/5 (2023) – Teacher Appreciation Week

5/5/23 - Fun Run

Next Meeting: Tuesday, March 7 @ 7:45-8:30am. Steck Cafeteria after drop off.

Meeting was voted to be adjourned at by [Amy O'Brien](#), PTSA President