

Bethany PTO Meeting
February 23rd, 2021

Staff in Attendance: Toni Rosenquist, Sandra Hoppenrath

Parents in Attendance: Jamie Speck, Elizabeth Staly, Julie Keanaaina, Christina Griffith, Jesal Kothari, Anjana Nair, Afsana Hussain, Karen Dow, Heather Worsham, Angie & Randy Hamilton, Kimberly Hawk, Heidi Grossaint, Murilo Belluzzo, Randell Pelak
Plus Kids - Karissa Hamilton, Life Staly

Call to Order: 7pm

Approval of January Minutes: Kimberly motioned to approve, Christina seconded.

RFF's - 5th Grade Presenters Karissa Hamilton & Life Staly. They are asking for \$679 for Outdoor Classroom Kits. Breakdown of the RFF materials is in the Agenda:

Please ask questions in chat for Angie Hamilton & Elizabeth Staly to answer. Vote will take place after Treasurer's Report

5th Grade Outdoor Classroom Kits - Idea has come from Eco-Schools who have already donated one, which cost \$300.

Rissa gives a breakdown on how they are good for the environment, why she thinks this is a good idea, and how other grades can use in the future. A list of materials is described on the RFF. The additional \$79 is for extra buckets.

Life spoke about why he thinks the outdoor classroom kits are a good idea. One is being socially responsible because you have more distance outside.

Questions - Life & Rissa answered from chat. Who can use? This will be a 5th grade pilot program because they applied to Eco-Schools, but other classes could use them. Where will the class be? Under the covered area or out in the grass depending on the weather. Where will they be stored? Out in a portable or in the 5th grade classrooms. How many classes will there be returning in the spring? TBD.

RFF request is to purchase 2 additional kits for the other 5th grade classes for \$600 plus \$79 for buckets for a total of \$679

RFF from 2nd Grade - Has been withdrawn because Toni is giving them the funds from the school general fund.

Principal's Report - Toni Rosenquist:

Save the Date 3/10 4-6:30 Community-Wide Conservation Around Race (Students & Adults working together to build racial literacy)

Hybrid & Distance Learning Numbers - K (35/29) 1st (39/37) 2nd (24/49) 3rd (26/49) 4th (31/48) 5th (30/51). Lots of questions still to be answered. She hopes to find out more and provide information to parents in email.

President's Report - Jamie Speck: Looking over the rest of the year....

February - Variety Show 2/26 Video Event

March - ?

April - Follete Online Book Fair, Budget Planning Meeting, Board Election Nominations

May - Jogathon, Annual Budget Presentation & Vote

June - Annual Board Elections, Audit Committee Appointed & Approved,
Board/Appointed Positions/Other Important Positions *Edit Haunted Hallway to include 5th
Grade Party. Lots of open positions/committees/chairs, please check the website and Bobcat!

Vice President's Report - Afsana Hasan:

January - \$190 from Panda Express

February - Variety Show Packages

March - Farmington Gardens

April - MOD Pizza

Treasurer's Report - Jesel Kothari: See Attached

Garden Shed was a major purchase item: came out of the Capital Improvement Fund &
Garden Club. Second major purchase was books for 4th grade.

RFF: Vote Kimberly motioned to pass, Elizabeth seconded. Poll was taken - 85% yes, 8% no,
8% need more information. Yes - it passed.

Volunteer Coordinator - Anjana Nair:

'Clothes Closet' now 'Clothes for Kids' - Bethany can sign up for a week, instead of
assigned day. Can take an interest poll. Tues/Thurs or Weds. April 22nd is Earth Day, can make
it a day of service. Then we can also do 4/21

School Directory, OBOB

Christina Griffith 5th Grade Graduation - Breakdown chart is in Agenda. \$500 is set
aside from PTO. Typically have Haunted Hallway but not this year. Parents have expressed
desire to write a check for needed \$ amount instead of a fundraiser.

Green Team - Elizabeth Staly:

SOLVE Beach Clean-up - Thank you to Afsana, Elizabeth, and their families for going
out and participating in the beach cleanup.

March event is a tree planting! Friends of Trees is hosting an event on 3/20 to plant in
the Jackson School Nature Area. Please send a message to Elizabeth or go on their website to
sign-up.

Earth Day is April 22nd. We are taking ideas for fun projects. So far we would like to do
an 'Upcycle Art' show and an Earth Walk. This is where children can decorate planet earth
pictures and post them in their front window for families to go out and see. Other ideas are a
'trash-ion' show, park litter pick-up, etc.

May 5th National Bike/Walk Day

Toni asked about a large bag of writing utensils the school has and what to do with them.
Dried glue sticks & erasers are trash - those can go into the trash. Crayons, markers, and pens
can potentially be recycled in the future. Angie has the information on that.

Garden Club - Elizabeth Staly:

Farmington Gardens Fundraiser - Sunday, March 21st. Please show the attached flyer and GC will receive 10% of purchases! Please tell anyone and everyone; spread the word.

Seed Starter Kits - Emails going out tmw for pickup this Friday. Please email Elizabeth if you are unable to pick up for a drop off. The potting soil was donated by Stephanie Krupke and seeds from Clackamas Seed Sharing program, so a big Thank You to both! Angie let Elizabeth know she has extra lettuce seeds GC can have.

Shed Update; we still need help with the foundation expansion. So if you know a concrete layer PLEASE email Elizabeth.

General Conversation - 9 mins

Adjournment: 8.20pm