

Franklin PTA Meeting October 11, 2016  
Library 6:00pm

Attending: Laura Peterson, Ilene McClelland, Amy Crump, Mandy Martin, Wendy Wooth, Kristin Starnes, Paige Hawkinson, Heidi Herring, Pat Monson, George Loper, Amanda Scott, Joy Ueng.

Minutes from September meeting approved. (Wendy Wooth motioned to approve minutes, Amy Crump seconded.)

Principal's Report: Principal Pat Monson came out of retirement to act as Interim Principal for Franklin. She is happy to be serving the Franklin School community and said that she loves the Garden Club! Principal Monson mentioned that parents and businesses are invited to the diversity/equity meetings at the district. Franklin is hosting a family of a 4th grader and a 6th grader from Spain for 90 days. Pat reminded us that her doors are always open and the elementary school government has just started up.

Treasurer's Report: Amy Crump reported that eScrip and Benefit programs are bringing in money above our projections. T-shirt prices were increased by a dollar as a small fundraiser for the school. Previously, t-shirt orders just broke even. Ilene asked whether we're receiving money from the Co-Op, as customers can choose a school at check-out for donations. Amy will look into whether we have been receiving any money from the store. The Back to School event went over budget but was an excellent event! School services funds were spent on the OBOB entrance fee, purchasing bins to organize playground supplies, and purchasing cardstock.

#### Standing Committee Reports:

- Community Building: Movie night is coming up on November 4th and is being organized by Amy and Tara. We will have a separate dedicated middle school movie night this year.
- Fundraising:
  - Dine Outs: We received \$600 from the recent China Delight dine-out event! The next dine out event will be hosted by Evergreen Indian Restaurant on November 16th.
  - Box Tops: Kristen Reeve will be starting the Box Tops drive soon.
  - Jogathon update: Travis Johnson will not be here for the event so we will have parent volunteers and potentially the substitute stepping in to cover all of the bases and duties he usually takes care of. We're still in need of someone to be in charge of music, announcements, and the clock.
- Special programs:
  - Garden Club: Heidi Herring reported the latest news from the Garden Club. She informed us that Mrs. Winograd's class will be receiving pumpkins from the garden to decorate. If there are enough pie pumpkins, they may be donated to local organizations serving our community. Looking ahead to the spring, Heidi is

hoping for more parental involvement and a formal registration/release form with a registration limit, as well as setting clear expectations for the program.

- Beautification: Brooke Running reported that we're doing things differently this year and so far it has worked really well! They had lots of help and nearly everything on the to-do list was completed! There is still a desire to clean up the parking lot near the office.
- Composting update: Laura Peterson said the elementary program is going well, but the middle school lunch composting station needs more help. She contacted Lou Donadio from Aurora Martial Arts about finding volunteers to help out with the program.
- Language programs update: Programs in spanish and french are starting up again. These will be more like a language club than an academic class.
- OBOB update: Wendy has been promoting OBOB to the 4th & 5th grade classes. An informational meeting will be held next week.
- WB2S program: Ilene reported that future of funding for the bike education program is in question. Travis Johnson has been promoting WB2S the day before and handing out prizes to participants the day of the event.
- Girls on the Run: Ilene reminded us that Franklin did not have a time last year and it would be nice to offer one this year. The program involves 20 lessons over 10 weeks and ends in a noncompetitive 5k run. An adult leader is needed.
- Staff Appreciation Lunch will have an Indian theme this time.
- Book Fair: The Book Fair will run November 3rd-8th. Principal Monson recommended that we hold future book fairs during conference times. This has been successful in other schools.
- Science Night: Science Night will be held on January 26th.
- Old Business:
  - Bike racks: Principal Monson mentioned that the school is working on getting a good price for new book racks in two locations.
  - Benches are still a possibility.
  - Open PTA position: Still looking for someone to lead the WB2S program.
  - Dow Yeh still needs guitars and is looking for grant funding.
- New Business:
  - Mandy Martin is taking over Friday folders - thank you Mandy!
  - Laura Peterson read the Standing Rules. The one change to the Standing Rules is that any Franklin PTA officer may deposit dues - no longer just the treasurer. Wendy motion to approve the rules and noted change, Heidi seconded. The Standing Rules were accepted by vote.
  - Shakira - Laura shared that Shakira has some concern of a lack of prosocial behavior education at Franklin, including anti-bullying and drug education. There will be an end of school career day - contacts are needed, please send ideas to Laura.

- Screenagers documentary: A parent approached Laura about the possibility of showing the documentary about the effects of screen time on teens. It is expensive to show, so further discussion is needed.
- Meeting day change: To accommodate different schedules, PTA meeting dates will alternate between Tuesday and Wednesday.
- CSD Parent Leadership Network meeting: The Foundation would like to hear what the funding needs are of the schools. Equity continues to be a big focus and a discussion of partnering with other schools to broaden enrichment and cultural engagement was held.