

Prospect Valley PTA February 6th, 2014 General PTA Business Meeting 3:00-4:15

- I. Call meeting to order - 3:00 p.m.
- II. Welcome & Introductions
- III. Reading and approval of the January minutes - Motion made and passed, January minutes were approved
- IV. Reports of Officers
 - President's report (Cara Jakab) : We are at \$12,500 with Capital Campaign. 70/400 families have contributed to the Capital Campaign. That is only 17% of families who are giving with an average of \$178/ per family who has given. Would like to do a "Call to All" 30- 60 day giving challenge before Spring Break to encourage more families to participate in the Capital Campaign. "You + 1" giving towards capital campaign could help us meet our goal. Utilize JBF, Flash, blast call, facebook page and PV website to help promote. Kim Clark, PTA President from Everitt Middle School, came to encourage any families who will be attending their school and are interested in a PTA Board position to contact her. The currently don't have any board members for next year, and PTA is still vital to middle schools. Feb. 11th from 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. Everitt Middle School will be hosting and Open House to answer questions.
 - President Elect's report (Jennifer Hess): Thanks to those who brought snacks for today's meeting. For the Mar. 6th meeting snacks: Jen Yates and Brenda Armendez. The March 6th meeting is an evening meeting.
 - Vice President's report (Mike Collins): We are in the middle of Mathtastic February. Kids can come in and reach different levels of math and receive prizes. Have Prospector Lunches going - gets to enjoy lunch (3x) on Fridays with kids who have been chosen. Feb. 19th is TCAP testing. Feb. 14th is a teacher work day. Looking into installing security cameras by the back door of the school and working with the district on this. The estimated cost is \$1500. They would like to install a doorbell at the back door. Possibly move a camera from the front door to the back door.
 - Treasure's report (Heather Kennedy and Heidi Olivera): Heather reviewed the January Treasurers report. Currently we have \$22,180.69 on the books.
- V. Technology Update (Mrs. Stiveson for Amy O'Neill): Brain Pop Junior (K-3rd) software license is expiring. It provides teachers with videos and other activities as well as printouts to use in classroom. PTA covered the cost of the software in the past, and they would like us to pay to renew that for this next year. The cost is \$150 for the K-3 license and \$205 for the 4-6 license. It was voted and

approved for PTA to cover the cost of the K-3 license renewal and Mr. Collins agreed for the school to cover the cost of the 4-6 license renewal.

VI. Old Business (Cara Jakab): The piano auction had 3 bidders and went to the highest bidder for \$300 (Rachel Reinert).

VII. New Business (Cara Jakab): A list of chairs and open positions within the PTA was passed around. People were asked to think about the 6th grade parent volunteer of the year nomination will be coming up shortly - so people need to think about an outgoing parent who has volunteered their entire time at PV that they would like to nominate. A discussion was held on if we were to bring back fundraisers next year, which ones would be the best to bring back. (ABC Fundraiser, Butter Braids) It was also discussed that Gold Rush is more of a community event vs. a fundraiser and should remain in addition to a fundraiser.

VIII. Reports of Committees

- Carnival (Laura Sicard): Takes place on Friday Feb. 7th from 5-8 p.m. We are ready and are doing a couple of new things. Tried booth advance ticket sales which has been good. This year the pizza will come from Costco to save on expense. A facepainter was hired. This year costs were 16-18% higher which we have tried to cover in ticket sales. We will have WRHS cheerleaders donating their time to help at the Carnival. If you are interested in helping with anything please sign up or contact Laura.
- Destination Imagination (Jen Pollock): Sat. Mar. 1st Jeffco tournament takes place at Alameda HS. Volunteers are still needed for this event (appraisers, score runners and plenty of other positions need to be filled) Feb. 22nd is Appraiser training which is a full day training.
- Reading Challenge Week (Jen Siegal) They have lined up Dorothy Donahue (Illustrator) for May 19th to talk to the kids. The cost is \$350. Box tops - currently we have earned \$1400 from these. Would like to do a classroom competition in April to encourage more participation with these.
- Spelling Bee (Rachelle Trujillo): 100 participated in the written bee. 19 moved onto the Oral bee and 3 moved on to the Wheat Ridge spelling bee. We have a new chair for the Spelling Bee next year, Laura Ryan.
- Social Hour (Andrea Tuitele): At the November Social Hour held at Colorado Plus, we had 25-30 people in attendance and it was a great time. We would like to encourage even more people to attend and will try marketing the next one in the Flash and ask people to RSVP. Next Social Hour is April 17th at 7:00 p.m. at Colorado Plus in the upstairs room.
- Talent Show (Guy Nahmiach) The Talent Show will be held on May 26th. Auditions to be held on February 24th after school.

- Watch Dog Dads (Cara Jakab for Steve Harris) Dads are needed on Feb. 7th to help at the Carnival. If you can help please show up at 4:45 p.m. in the gym.
- Yearbook (Andrea Haydon) Pictures are needed from the Gold Rush, Special Person's Day, and the Winter Parties. A discussion was held regarding the legalities of posting pictures of other people's kids in the yearbook without their consent. Cara will look into this.

IX. Adjournment: 4:03 p.m.

Dates to Remember

February 7th: Carnival - 5:00-8:00 p.m.

February 11-12th: Spring Conferences

February 13th: Valentine Parties

February 14 & 17: No School (Staff Development & President's Day)

February 20th: Accountability Mtg. 3:00 p.m.

February 26th: Early Release 12:15 p.m.

February 28th: Aluminum Recycling

March 6th: PTA Meeting 7:00 p.m.