

**PTO Meeting Agenda/Minutes**  
**Approved April 19 2016 meeting**  
15-March 2016

In attendance: Erika Levin; Larissa Sano; Marguerite Dillard; Linda Hagan; Brian Wiseman; Jen McNamara; Sara Schneidewind; Jamie Haberichter

1. Called to order @ 6:39 pm
2. Minutes - Reviewed previous meeting's minutes
  - a. Motion to approve minutes: Jen McNamara
  - b. Seconded: Marguerite Dillard
  - c. Vote: approved
3. Principal Report - Mrs. Cooper
4. Teacher Report - Mrs. Hagan
  - a. Appreciate support and especially per pupil funding
  - b. Disability awareness went well, fourth graders greatly enjoyed it
5. Treasurer Report - Brian Weisman
  - a. More than halfway done with year; but third-way through budget (both expenses and revenue)
  - b. Have brought in \$29,000 so far to date
  - c. On cost side: spent \$28,500 paid out
  - d. Reimbursement requests have picked up as we move towards end of year
6. Committee Reports
  - a. AAPAC (Parent Advisory Council)-Laura Weintraub, Carrie Bora
  - b. Academic Games-Vivian Lin
    - i. 23 King students had a great time at the State tournament in Grand Rapids. Two adventurous teams (upper level) qualified for nationals this year (first time we have had this happen; ten students will participate, event is in Atlanta GA). Our Minor level team (4th grade and under) won two state championships.
  - c. Bagel Friday-Sara Schneidewind, Sara Zocher
    - i. Thursday this week to coincide with Book Fair
    - ii. Very well attended this year, generating revenue
  - d. Book Fairs-Tomomi Kumagai, Suzanne Muenz , Carly Ly, Ping He
    - i. The Spring Used and New Book Fair is underway. As of Monday afternoon, we have collected just over 4,000 books. The Scholastic book fair is set up and ready to go. Preview day will be Tuesday, the classes will purchase books on Wednesday. The fair will be open to the public on Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons from 4-6:30 and during Bagel Thursday from 8:15-9:30. We still need volunteers, especially during the after school hours.
    - ii. CAN note: CAN will be targeting elementary fiction and middle school non-fiction books; and will come by after Th event to collect remaining books
    - iii. Can we have "wish list" posting board for CAN or for Mitchell or for Scarlett; that can help with collecting books during future Book Fairs

- e. Disability Awareness Coordinator-Pam McGuinty
  - i. This event took place this past Wednesday the 9th. The students enjoyed the workshop and were fully engaged in all of the activities and information being presented.
  - ii. For fourth graders across the District
- f. Ice Cream Social-Bing Yang and Sara Schneidewind
- g. International Night-Mithu De
  - i. Huge success at Pioneer this year. DVDs for sale will distributed this week, on sale for \$10
  - ii. Next step is getting feedback from parents;
- h. Math Club-Mahendra Muli, Jing Liu
  - i. Math Kangaroo competition will be March 17, 7:15 pm to 8:30 pm. We will use both the Media Center and the Multi-purpose Room. 54 kids will participate, 10-11 per grade level. The kids will receive a certificate, a T-shirt, and various prizes for participation. If they score high at the state and/or national levels, there will be additional awards.
- i. PTO Thrift Shop Liaison-Sara Schneidewind
  - i. Show your support week is this week for King. Go and shop!
  - ii. King Science Olympiad featured this week; will get \$\$ usually two to three months later; updated poster
- j. PTO Council Rep- Jen McNamara
  - i. 1. Handgun resolution was adopted.
  - ii. 2. Special Education Millage Proposal for May, Jen to review key points; special education services provided for approximately 11% of AAPS students; these are required to be provided regardless of funding source; AAPS provides support for K-12; so this millage provides funds across the board, for all schools and students; this would free up funds from general funds
  - iii. 3. Jen is unable to attend March 21st PTO Council rep meeting regarding funding inequities if anyone would like to attend in her place.
- k. Science Olympiad-Erika Levin, Karin Sletten-Farjo, Yong Miao
  - i. Coaches will be rating kids on multiple criteria. Tournament teams will be selected at the end of this month (Mar). T-shirt ordering form will be send out soon.
- l. Silent Auction-Karen Saito, Carrie Bora
  - i. Request for classroom baskets has gone out.

- ii. Business Solicitations : A team of around 10 business solicitors are working to get all gift cards and other donations coming in before April 10th.
- iii. We are using the software system to record and track progress, so its been quite easy to pull up data. So far we have 34 items in the system that are fulfilled (we have the physical gift card/donation with us). Around 25 local are to be picked up this week.
- iv. We have quite a few new solicitations this year, including a NYC museum package, Mackinaw ferries, Traverse City vacation with wine and Chicago six flags+restaurants+ice cream.
- v. As far as family solicitations,I'm sure they are quite a few but they have not been entered in the system yet.
- vi. Linda will follow up with teachers to start compiling donations
- m. Space Camp - Neha Shah, Ping He, Nithya Rajesh
  - i. Parent meeting on April 13th; large number of parent “helpers”
- n. Spirit Wear-Ben Ewy
  - i. Spirit Wear is in and has been delivered. All of the profits made were redirected back into product. We now have a surplus to sell at events and activities. Any of these shirts sold will be all profit, totalling up \$665.00 once all are sold. Passed board and sell sheet to Suzanne (thanks!) for selling at Book Fair.
  - ii. For Silent Auction: can just set price, so parents can pick up some of the items during this event.
- o. Traffic & Safety - Erika Levin
  - i. Meeting on **April 12th** to try to get signs changed to RIGHT TURN ONLY
  - ii. PTO will be purchasing a second bike rack for the north side of the circle drive this spring (next to current bike rack).
  - iii. Still have parents entering the wrong way into u-turn
  - iv. Tickets can be issued for violations that occur from Waldenwood into school (based on city drives); including left lane violations
  - v. Are there other options for getting more help with traffic issues?; we will raise these at the April 12th meeting

## 7. Old Business

- a. Officers for next year - need several positions such as President, Traffic Liaison, Bingo Night, Grade Coordinators, look for PTO note and sign up
- b. Ideally, we want a balance of seasoned volunteers and new volunteers as chairs / co-chairs especially for large events

## 8. New Business

- a. BUS YARD: UM proposal for bus and transportation facility; UM is “paused” with project; need community input and support to demonstrate number of people who

could be impacted and who are concerned about the location of this facility;  
concerns are noise, pollution, traffic, see [nea2cc.org](http://nea2cc.org)

- b. Thursday 17-March 3:00 pm meeting at UM Dearborn campus
9. Meeting Adjournment @ 7:20 pm
- a. Motion to adjourn: Jen McNamara
  - b. Seconded: Marguerite Dillard