

Mills Park Middle School  
April 10, 2015  
PTSA Meeting Minutes

**9:30 Call to Order**

Kim McKnight, Jen Willis, Carisa Eliason, Hong Li (Lusia), Jeri Hasund, Daphne Stam, Robin Lundin, Sandy Hankinson, Colleen Gregg, and Kate Rees

**Treasurer Report- Elizabeth Vaughan**

We are exactly on budget for fundraising for this year. Some grant money from Instructional and Teacher Enrichment Grants is still available. Need to stay within budgeted guidelines for expenditures for the rest of the year.

**Staff Appreciation- Kim McKnight**

Student council will help package treats to give to the teachers.  
National Honor Society is making a banner for the staff to hang in hallways for the teachers.

Will have a spring luncheon.

We will ask students/ parents to write a nice note to the teachers.

**School Improvement Committee- Sandy Hankinson**

The committee had their last meeting about the survey regarding the grading policy. They are still hoping more surveys get completed.

**Reflections - Kim McKnight**

Two girls went to county celebration.

**8th Grade Events- Jeri Hasund**

We have only about 10-12 volunteers to help decorate, set up, and clean up the 8th grade dance. Only 56% have paid for the 8th grade events activities.

**President's Report- Daphne Stam**

We have PTSA openings for next year.

Kristy Gunther will do box tops.

We will need a new secretary and new communications as well as a VP of programs / cultural arts representative to schedule speakers.

We need to think about what quality programs to bring to the school. It would be beneficial to get staff's input on speakers

**Spirit Wear- Carisa Eliason**

In coming fifth graders will be meeting on April 29th and 30th. We want to have spirit wear form ready for this meeting.

We want to aim to have forms turned in by May 23rd.

**Communications - Colleen Gregg**

Suggested that the 8th grade event chair run the Leopard Spot. It would benefit the 8<sup>th</sup> grade events volunteers as the money earned could go towards 8th grade events.

**Membership - Robin Lundin**

We need to change what we do for gold level donors. An idea would be to give them a plaque. We need to consider something to acknowledge these people. We used to give donors the opportunity to buy bricks, but the bricks have not been ordered as not enough bricks have been purchased. Another problem with bricks is that people don't respond to what they want on the bricks.

Either we decide upon a new gift for our gold level members or just forget incentives. We still have a lot of little incentives like chip clips and tote bags.

**Club Grant Proposal**

We received a proposal from Odyssey of the Mind for a Club Grant. Cheri Pederson (MPMS staff and OOM Club Advisor) asked \$100 to cover cost for pvc pipe and duct tape.

We are not comfortable covering material fees for individual teams but would be willing to pay for the registration fee because registration fees allow the opportunity for ALL MPMS students to participate in OOM, vs. material costs which only support a few students. We will table this decision for now as we don't want to start a precedent of paying for material fees acquired by clubs.

**Meeting Adjourned 10:40**