

Mills Park Middle School
December 12, 2014
PTSA Meeting Minutes

9:35 Call to Order

Attendance: Jeri Hasund, Daphne Stam, Sandy Hankinson, Carisa Eliason, Elizabeth Vaughan, Lisa Burke, Linda Zeng, Robin Lundin, Elizabeth Stavrakakis, and Kate Rees

Student Representative: (Elizabeth Stavrakakis)

Planning to possibly have a candy cane fundraiser.
Currently brainstorming plans for teacher appreciation day.

Treasurer report: (Elizabeth Vaughn)

Wrote a check for poet in residence Philippe Shabaze. He will be here until December 19th.

Passed out treasurer's report.

Arts department has asked PTSA to collect funds for their program. They need to submit receipts so we can write them checks. They need to use the money before the end of the year. They need their own boosters to collect this money.

Communications: (Colleen Gregg)

Leopard Spot has been open last couple of weeks
Need volunteers to run it.

Staff Appreciation: (Kim McKnight)

Staff appreciation volunteers to deliver gifts to teachers next Monday or Tuesday next week in their boxes.

Snacks for teachers will be provided in late January and a luncheon in February

School Improvement Committee: (Kim McKnight)

Web outage so school improvement team meeting was cancelled.

They will meet in January.

Debating if we should change honor roll with new grading assignment. They are putting together a questionnaire for parents and teachers regarding the new grading policy.

Copy room volunteer team is going well. Thinking to add more volunteers to help with the copying. Copying is taking 2 ½ - 3 ½ hours a day.

Reflections: (Michelle Hannon and Kim McKnight)

Received a total of 15-20 contributions. We had two students place in the County Reflections program. Sarayu Venumuila took first place in Wake County for Musical Composition and will be moving on to the state level. Ashna Patel took third place in Wake County Visual Arts. She will not be moving on to the state, but should be commended. Both will be recognized at a ceremony by Wake County PTA in the spring.

Ways and Means: (Jen Willis)

Checking with Publix to get a card for us to link to.

How do we distribute the cards?
Maybe we give them out next year or Mills Madness

Eighth grade events: (Jeri Hasund)

A /B honor roll is usually 100-200
Last month we had 450 honor roll kids. Needed more donuts.
Met with eighth grade dance committee had a much higher turn out of volunteers.
The t-shirts have gone home.

Technology Advisory: (Lisa Burke)

No meeting since October meeting. Re-imaged everything. New computers are coming in January. Three new teachers added to technology leader core.
County trains teachers on technology. Similar to a grass roots method

President's Report: (Daphne Stam)

We received 2 grant applications this month.
Teacher Jennifer Walski requested \$55.20 for instructional grant for 10 Max the Mighty books.
Elizabeth Vaughan motioned to approve.
Motion was seconded by Robin Lundin.

Christine Walton requested a Teacher Enrichment Grant.
\$125 to attend a conference called NC Ties this March.
Elizabeth motioned to approve the grant.
Robin Lundin seconded the motion.

Math teacher, Ms. Resua wrote a note to the PTSA to thank us for approving her grant.
She loves her Apple TV. She stated she finds it very useful

MyLocker.net can put our logo on many things. PTSA will get 10%. Parents order it on website. Needs a volunteer to set up an account.

Mills Madness will be March 6th. Meg Clark will head the Madness Committee again.
Meetings start in January. We need volunteers.

Meeting Adjourned: at 10:14