

ACCESS Academy PTA General Membership Meeting Minutes
Monday, January 14, 2018, 7 pm to 8:30 pm
BESC Building, 501 N Dixon, Portland, OR

7:02: President Kurt Kemmerer called the meeting to order.

Minutes of 12/12/18 Meeting:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/13a5gSYw7sc1BBKBwMkkVM57O997sTO9_H_LU6vrlKgY/edit?usp=sharing

Phoebe Shen moved the minutes be approved as written., Heather Leon Seconded.

Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report - Sally Maltman

Financial Review:

1. Give Campaign brought in \$5500, \$8500 budgeted. Current fundraising push currently will be for Read-a-thon, then will revisit GIVE if needed in March.
2. We did get a check for \$30 from new SCRIP provider, from 4 people contributing. There is potential there if people adopt new format.
3. T-shirt sale, 2nd order has been processed. We earned over \$1000 on t-shirt sales this year.
4. Chess Club started today, with 20 students for 8 Mondays through Spring Break.
5. Helping Hands brought in over \$1500, which provided gift cards for 9 families who requested assistance over the break (more families than in the past). We don't have any funds left in Helping Hands, so may consider sending out another request or may not be able to assist over Spring Break.

5th Grade Promotion/Leadership plans

1. Since the 5th graders are the oldest at their site, worth considering leadership opportunities for them, as well as promotional opportunities. The teachers have organized a promotional ceremony in the past, along with some parents. Brian Lawler will email teachers to check in about possibilities for promotional ceremony this year. We will continue to talk about ideas for this at the next meeting, solicit feedback.
 - a. In past they used to be reading buddies with the younger grades.
 - b. Clap out on last day of school for 5th graders.
- New business /Questions (45 minutes)
 1. Does anyone know what is going on about Lane security/radon situation, which caused postponement of teacher's lunch? Ongoing investigation there by police.

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2. Radon: Room 131, which had radon concern, has moved to Learning Center; Learning Center has been moved to the stage, though many students are receiving services in classes.
3. Talent Show Rehearsals: This coming week is only for the students being regrouped; rest of rehearsals will be on 2/1. Auditions went well, will send out email to groups coming in on Friday: 1 hour at Lane, 1 hour at Vestal.
4. Spelling Bee starts this week, final will be on Wednesday 1/30/19
5. Girl Scout Cookie booths will be coming. Online sales now going through each individual girl.
6. AAC meeting scheduled today was postponed. Purpose of different groups needs to be clarified. May have a meeting of all active groups to sort out different roles: AAC, TAGAC, PTA, DEI, Foundation, Site Council, any other interested parents or groups. AAC will take lead in setting up the meeting. AAC is keeping up with enrollment, and trying to keep ACCESS in front of board members.
7. Central Office should be updating Enrollment page for ACCESS; currently it is listing 2018-2019 information. Phoebe will double check with Linda Smith, Krista Blovad and the Enrollment Committee about status of updating this page.
8. Are there Boy Scouts at ACCESS? No one knows of any. There are active troops in the local areas. Might be worth asking in the parent group. BPSA is another option.

Announcements

1. TAG Vision Session with District, 1/22, 5:30-7 pm, followed by a School Board work session meeting where the new TAG director will present her plan for coming into compliance with Division 22 regulations for TAG services.
 2. Tomorrow, 1/15, at 6 pm there is a school board work session with report of all committee's to help with continuity since there is no historical memory in the district.
 3. Call for volunteers:
 - Read-a-thon needs volunteers:
 - Parent Education Coordinator budgeted by PTA, need someone to take the lead. In past has included executive function, sexuality, online safety.
 - Photographers for yearbook, general school events.
 - Auction: sign up now.
- Adjournment – 7:55 p.m.