

THES PTA Board Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, March 6, 2018, 4:00 p.m.
THES library

Present: Eliza Platts-Mills, President; Dave Lamkin, Treasurer; Gretchen Otto, Secretary; Jonna Ball, Fundraising; Lisa Etzel, 2nd grade teacher; Colin Clark, Advocacy Team. Future PTAers: Baz Aryubwal, Fred Wu

Eliza called the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m. Introductions, welcome to new/future PTA board members. Short explanation of what the PTA does and what the Thunderboard does. Elections on April 19 at school-wide meeting.

Updates on candidates for officer positions: Gretchen has agreed to be president; Baz and Jonna will be co-secretaries. Jonna will also be co-VP with Regan, Oliver and Kathleen will be co-chairs of the fundraising committee. Fred Wu has agreed to be the new Treasurer, beginning in the 2018-2019 Fiscal Year. Still need to recruit new teacher rep. (Leaving the board: Colin, Lisa, Eliza, Dave.)

Eliza moved and Jonna seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the February board meeting.
Motion carried.

Principal's report: NONE. Realtors are coming to tour campus.

Treasurer's Report (Dave): Brief discussion of school funding, state of our accounts, and what we use the money we raise for. Next month we will go over the budget for next fiscal year; it will be approved at the April 19 general meeting. PTA pays for teacher supplies, mini-grants for special items, teacher training for things like PBL, Camp Champions, offset expenses for career days, technology, specials.
See also report attached/below.

Advocacy Team report (Colin/Gretchen): The tenants associations at Lucero and Travis Park are active and making progress. Emergency planning for immigrant families continues through detention folder program and matching families program. Lengthy discussion regarding the loss of PrimeTime and PSS funding and what can be done about it.

NEXT ADVOCACY MEETING: TUESDAY, MARCH 20, 5:30pm

Thunderboard Report (Gretchen): Pillars continue to be refined. More discussion of teacher training and PD days. Most of meeting was spent talking about our special education programs: which ones do we offer, what their requirements, how many staff/students are involved in each one, how well are we serving these communities? Do we need to make any changes? Separate committee will continue to discuss.

Calendar Review

- Fundraising—new idea! Need more capital to refresh technology over next couple of years. Natalee T offered to help by throwing a party, maybe with a silent auction, for neighborhood folks and businesses in town. Conference call is happening tonight. More info next meeting!

- April 19 is PTA general meeting and performance. Will do elections and budget.
- Need to start thinking about Guero's fundraiser planning—May 8!
- Need someone for Teacher Appreciation Week—last week of April.
- Young Writers Workshop – update from Gretchen: Erin would like to have a co-coordinator for this event next year.
- Young Artists/Scientists Workshop April 12 – no update from Regan
- Spring Beautification – new date?

Please post for GreatSchools.org!

Next PTA Board Meeting: Tuesday, April 3, 4pm to 5:30pm

Meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

Minutes by Gretchen Otto, Secretary

Approved 4/3/2018

TREASURER REPORT

PTA BOARD MEETING MARCH 6, 2018

- **2017-2018 FINANCIALS FOR 9 MONTHS ENDED FEBRUARY 28, 2018**
As always, there are two (2) P&L statements -- one for our regular (primary) checking account, and one for the reserve account. Jonna Ball continues in her role to review the Wells Fargo bank statements each month.
- **I HEART THES** My records indicate we have realized \$24,027 in donations, plus \$1,100 in non-cash donations (gift certificates). This total will differ from that on the financial statements since some donations have not yet been received, or were deposited to the Bank after the February close-out. In addition, remember that online donations are processed through PayPal, which deducts a nominal fee for each transaction. I have communicated to Deb Lykins to see if we could use a service similar to Venmo, which does not charge a fee.
- **MEMBERSHIP UPDATE.** No change from last month -- 79 memberships.
- **MINI-GRANT APPLICATIONS.** No new applications have been received.
- **MY REPLACEMENT.** Fred Wu has agreed to be the new Treasurer, beginning in the 2018-2019 Fiscal Year. Fred and I met recently to review my Treasurer Manual, and we walked through all of the detailed policies and procedures necessary to fulfill the responsibilities of this position. Fred is also planning on attending our March Board meeting.