

Discovery Elementary School PTSA 2.6.9
General Membership Minutes
January 24, 2017
Approved

In Attendance

Attendance sheet is on file as an attachment to January 24, 2017 General Membership minutes in the PTSA General Meeting Agenda and Minutes binder.

Quorum was present. Location: Discovery Elementary Library

Call to order/Pledge of Allegiance

- Meeting was called to order by Hollie Smith at 7:07pm.

Reports

I. Current Business

a. Secretary: Veronica Winkler

- i. Minutes from 11/22/16 meeting approved as presented.

b. President: Hollie Smith

- i. Read WSPTA Uniform Bylaws Article 5, Section 5A, and asked for Nominating Committee nominations. Gani Konapala self nominated. Alisha Brummett self nominated. Noreen Awan self nominated. Dana Cosgrove self nominated. Veronica Winkler self nominated. There were no other nominations and a voice vote was held. Gani Konapala, Alisha Brummett, Noreen Awan, Dana Cosgrove and Veronica Winkler were unanimously elected to serve on the 2016-17 nominating committee by voice vote. President Hollie Smith verified that the nominating committee members are eligible to serve per the WSPTA Uniform Bylaws.

ii. Program Updates

1. Caring Through Sharing - Donations for the Holiday Gift Barn through the Issaquah Food Bank was a success.
2. Eager Reader - Higher participation rate than last year. 75% of students have entered and approved minutes. About 800 books have been distributed. In class kickoff on the Friday before was well received.
3. Spelling Bee - 1st round starts tomorrow. All students, even if they did not register are welcome to participate. Finals take place on Feb. 8 & 9th.
4. Happy Birthday Dr. Suess- Book Drive - takes place in March. The librarians compile a list of books that they

would like to add to the library. Families are invited to buy a book from their student to donate to the library.

- c. Treasurer Report: Teresa Bright
 - i. Financial Update - all of the funds from the fundraisers have been deposited. Grand total of \$31,865.94. Insurance has been paid for the year.
 - ii. Mid-Year Financial Review Committee - looking for 3 individuals to be reviewers. It takes about 2 hours to complete. Please contact a member of the PTSA if you are interested in volunteering for this.
- d. Advocacy: Sarah Manningsmith
 - i. Washington State PTA Focus Day Report - Jan. 17th Sarah attended PTSA Focus Day which included a private meeting with new State Senator Lisa Welman and a presentation from Governor Inslee.
- e. Membership: Hollie Smith - 366 members including 36 staff members.
- f. Fundraising: Alisha Brummett
 - i. Spirit Wear sales of sweatshirts & t-shirts raised \$370. There were some mix-up on the sizes. Next year, planning to sell early in the school year and have some sample sizes available.
 - ii. Ice Skating at Bellevue Square raised \$100
 - iii. Glassy Baby will be attending the Art Show and families will have the opportunity to purchase. 10% of the proceeds will go to PTSA.
- g. Issaquah Schools Foundation Rep: Harlan Gallinger
 - i. 30th annual luncheon will be May 11th @ Meydenbauer & 3rd annual breakfast will be May 17th @ Eastridge church - goal is to have 4 Discovery Elementary tables. Looking for 2 additional table captains to recruit Discovery parents to attend and support ISF. Kim Hand recommended we set up a table at the Spelling Bee and Science Fair to invite and educate families to attend.

II. Special Reports

- a. Principal: Hollie Vance, Dean of Students attended in her absence. Lost & found is on display in MPR and many items have been claimed. Tomorrow, remaining items will be boxed and donated to Mary's Place.
- b. Teacher Representative: Kim Hand - Eager Reader has gone fabulously this year. New prize handout method has been very seamless and less disruptive and the kids have been very excited with the program. Last week teachers attended a Math Residency. ISF paid for elementary teachers to have subs for ½ day to work by grade level on Eureka Math.

Upcoming Teacher Work Day will be focused on Cultural Competency and teaching transparency and fairness in the classroom.

- c. ParentWiser: Jim Berry gave a presentation from this volunteer run organization which provides parent education for ISD families. The keynote event this year is “The Gift of Failure” by Jessica Lahey on Tuesday April 25th, 7pm at ISH. Parents are encouraged to attend. Suggestions for future speakers are welcom.

III. Dates to Remember

- a. Spelling Bee - February 8 and 9, 2017
 - b. Science Fair - March 22, 2017
- Next general meeting - March 28, 2017

Meeting adjourned 7:59pm

Minutes submitted by Veronica Winkler, Discovery PTSA Secretary.