



King PTO Meeting: 8 February 2016

The meeting started at 6:08PM.

Attendees: Michelle Hubbard, Rae Reynolds, Kristi Moe, Sandi Redinbo, Jennifer Taylor, Maklana Williams, Ashley DeSalvo, Leilani Bower, Donna Jolly, Tammy Hawkins, Sylvia Schyberg, Tricia Bentley

Mrs. Bentley is starting the meeting with a BAAC presentation.

Extracurricular activities for the first semester included intramurals, choir, chess, yearbook club, tutoring, kindness club, student leadership, and computer coding club. The DIBELS data shows growth from the first to the second quarter. PARRC data presented shows improvement as well as that King Elementary places slightly below state percentages, but above district percentages. Mrs. Bentley provided a sample questions. The number of office referrals and out of school suspensions has gone down. For budget items Mrs. Bentley reports that 30 chrome books were purchased for use in the classrooms, which were funded by the FunDRun; the coding club received a robot, tutoring is made available (mostly funded by federal monies), and after school activities, which also receive funds from the community center. Mrs. Bentley is asking for suggestions for improvement. Parents asked for better distribution of information (at this point most information is on the website, which has become more user friendly). The request was made for a new Yearbook Club camera. A parent asked about the availability of microwaves to students during lunch. At this point this is not a feasible option. Mrs. Jolly asked what to do when iPads break. She was referred to Mrs Krablean, but in the future iPads may be replaced with chrome books, as they are less expensive.

Mrs. Hubbard is leading the meeting after introductions.

Review of Minutes: Mrs. Reynolds corrects that Box Tops income was \$1608, which was partially for last year and partially for this year. More details to follow later in these minutes. Mrs. Reynolds will also review options for Valentine's Day fundraiser for next year.

Treasurer report follow up by Mrs. Hubbard: Currently there is \$5433.32 in the account. PTO needs to plan for expenses for the rest of this year as well as the beginning of the new school year: \$1500 will go towards scholarships (deadline to apply in April), teacher appreciation activities, popsicles for field day, Pizza Party for box tops for Mrs Jolly.

Box Tops: Mrs. Reynolds brought the paper gumballs machines to track progress and inspire friendly competition amongst classrooms. Each gumball represents 25 box tops. PTO receives a check twice a year. The next cutoff date is 12 April, and the next pizza party will be on April 15th. The goal was set to earn \$1000/year; after the first semester we are at about \$791. Mrs. Reynolds is asking to not glue the box tops on. She still needs to recount and check the expiration dates.

Labels for Education: Mrs. Reynolds reports that this program will be discontinued August 2016. Points can still be sent in. At this time we have 1625 points to spend, but there are not many desirable items in that range. Mrs. Bentley will look to possibly receive some new balls for the gym, or also possibly pencils and markers.

Valentine's Day Fundraiser: Mrs. Hubbard reports that PTO still had some lollipops from last year and more are on order (Mrs. Bentley reported they arrived today). PTO will put to/from labels on them, sort them, and deliver Friday. Sales are before and after school; volunteers are needed. Due to the snow days, planning got delayed. Mrs. Hubbard presented wooden roses as another option. They cost \$0.50/each. It was decided to add as an option for next year.

ABC Store: Mrs. Hubbard reports about the spring fundraiser, which will kick off Friday (12 February) at school. Presentation to the students will happen during lunch. The fundraiser lasts 2 weeks. ABC store reportedly has incentives and prices for teachers as well as students, is Colorado based, is easy to work with and the most effective fundraiser PTO has tried. PTO receives 40% of sales.

Questions/comments: - If food is offered for sale the school has to request an exemption with the district.

- cookbook as fundraiser? Students and teachers can submit recipes and artwork. The idea was tabled for next year.
- other fundraisers have been found to be labor intensive and not as rewarding

King PTO scholarship: All elementary schools in the district have a scholarship for graduating high school seniors if they attended their school. Anyone who was a King student is eligible to apply for the scholarship as a high school graduate. \$1500 is allotted and might be split between 2-4 students. PTO needs to form a review panel for the April meeting, to review applications about an hour before the regular meeting starts.

School Supplies: PTO decides to use EduKit. Mrs. Robinson will need the supply lists from teachers asap.

New Business: As this is Mrs. Hubbard's last year as President, Mrs. Bentley requests a copy of the by-laws, in order to ensure consistency for the PTO. Mrs. Hubbard will provide the by-laws and position list including a short description of jobs. It is recommended to discuss elections and the promotion of open positions at the next meeting in order to ensure timeliness and participation.

Principal's Notes: There are currently 658 students at King. Mrs. Bentley confirms dates in the calendar. Early release and hat day is on 2/10. Mid-terms are coming home 2/12. Some classes will hold Valentine's Day parties after lunch. There is no school 2/15 due to President's Day. The district speech competition will be at Mesa Ridge High School on 2/22. There will be School Finance Committee meetings on 2/17 at Mesa Ridge, 3/16 at the Security Fire Dept, and 4/20 at French Elementary.

Next meeting: PTO meetings are usually the 1st Monday of the month. The next meeting is set for March 7th.

The PTO meeting ended at 7.15pm.