

Jefferson General PTA Meeting Summary February 5, 2018

Principal's Report: (Craig Nelson)

We've had a very eventful month. Carnival was a very nice event. Very well attended, very well organized. People came happy and left happier! Thank you, Laura! The district is sponsoring the winter Love and Logic series at Jefferson. Thank you to the PTA for supplementing the pizza dinner. Pizza Perfection donated the pizza for the whole series. Thursday is the Spaghetti Feed. Thank you for all of the planning and organizing. PTA has been on a busy roll for the last month and will continue to be so for the next month! The staff appreciation day was also wonderful. Thank you for all of that.

Treasurer's Report: (Brandy Wiser) In checking we have \$28,074.45 and savings we have \$4,804.20. Brandy will go into more details next meeting.

Listening Tour – Welcome to Superintendent Bob Maxwell and School Board Member Allison Munch-Rotollo, our Jefferson liaison!

Bob: This is our second annual Listening Tour. We got to each school and make ourselves available for half a day. We also attend the booster clubs and PTA/PTO. We're here to make ourselves available, to listen, and to take notes. We will summarize our notes into a variety of themes and take a look at what are some actionable items and some long-range planning. For instance, Love and Logic came out of the Listening Tour here at Jefferson last year. We had about 60 parents participate in the series this Fall at Franklin. It is a valuable series and I encourage everyone to attend.

Allison: I started the year assigned to Sunnyside as their liaison. After the elections I was moved to be the Jefferson liaison. I am your liaison to the School Board. If you want to reach out to a board member, I can be your go-to person. I'm here for the Listening Tour. But even when we're not on the Listening Tour, I am available. You can contact me at any time. I want to listen to you!

Committee Updates:

Art Docent / Art Show: (Heather Carter) The Art Fair will be held April 18th. When we did our project with the WSU Fine Arts group and had our museum opening we had to purchase a few trays of food. We used Art Fair/ Art Docent money.

Craig motioned to add \$153.91 to the Art Docent/Art Fair budget. Sonia seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Book Fair: (Brian Edwards) The Book Fair starts on June 5th.

Box Tops: (Jaclyn Gotch) Next drive is April 16-20. Keep saving those Box Tops!

Carnival: (Laura Winder) The carnival went well. There were more kids. There were some supplies we stocked up on for next year. **The carnival budget on the budget spreadsheet needs to be updated to reflect the new increased total of \$3,000.** We had a lot of great volunteers. The addition of the donated cotton candy, pre-bagged and ready to go, was fantastic.

Chess Club: (Christy McCloy) Tournament will be April 20th.

Destination Imagination: (Sonia Bringham & Tina Barton) Things are in full swing. The kids are practicing the instant challenges and getting ready for their main challenges. Regionals are March 3rd in Richland, Washington.

Drama Club: (Angela Gibson/MegAnn Moore) The first meeting will be on February 26th.

End of Year BBQ: (Shari Carter) The BBQ takes place June 8th.

Food Pantry: (Linhda Sagen) We submitted the Amazon Catalyst grant, requesting \$25,000, in collaboration with WSU Human Development and the WSU Center for Civic Engagement. The Lincoln program has been opened for two weeks. We have 25 kids signed up. Cindy Nazarelli is the Chair at Lincoln. We are in contact with Justin Pollestad and Eric Heinz at the high school to expand the program to the high school as well. Free carnival tickets were put into pantry snack bags, which helped so many families attend our big family event.

Zumbathon Fundraiser (Chelsie Dusek). We had 120 people participate. We received 300 pounds in food and \$150 in donations. It turned out really well.

Green Team: (Ericka Young & Kelli Cooper) This month we are starting to talk about water conservation. Kelli will be doing the majority of the water audit for the school. We'll talk about how they can save water at their homes and in school.

Membership: (Brian Edwards) We're at 114 members.

Movie Night: (Kelli Cooper) The next Movie Night is February 23rd. The movie will be either the Disney Robin Hood or the Book of Life. They both have a love conquers all and family theme.

Newsletter: (Josh Heim) If you have any items, please get those to Josh so that he can get the newsletter out by the 10th of the month.

Science & Technology Fair: (Brenda Schroeder) The Science and Technology Fair will take place on March 29th.

Silverwood Reading Program: (Ashley Herridge) Packets went out to teachers last week and kids are excited. They need to read for 600 minutes, fill out their form, and they will earn a free ticket to Silverwood. The forms must be turned in by March 8th.

Spaghetti Feed: (Meg Gollnick) The Spaghetti Feed is this week, on Thursday, February 8th. Pre-sale tickets are available until the end of the school day on Thursday. We have put together the silent auction baskets. We also created an online donation website. Hopefully after this year we'll get even more of a response to it. Southfork is doing the food. Any fifth grade students that want to help can come and help clear tables.

Staff Appreciation: (Jaclyn Gotch & Ashley Herridge) We'll be doing chocolates for the staff on Valentine's Day.

Announcements:

- Carnival thank you gifts. Rex, Adam, and Rod, our custodians, do a lot of work and help us out quite a bit.
 - **Chelsie motioned that we approve \$150 in gift cards for our custodians. Diane seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.**
- Outdoor classroom. We are going to meet sometime after Spaghetti Feed to discuss the plan and our ideas. Let Meg know if you would like to be part of the committee.