

April 24, 2017
PTA Meeting Minutes

Call Meeting to Order

Kelly Wessner called meeting to order at 7:02pm.

Approval of the February Minutes

Motion to Approve – Marci Howes

Second – Srujana Bolger

Unfinished Business

Teacher Grants Awarded

Grant Committee received 6 teacher Grant Applications

There is \$3800 budgeted annually.

The following were funded right away:

- 1) Mrs. Brown, 1st Grade, ergonomic chairs for classroom.
- 2) Mrs. Wagner, teaching tools.
- 3) Student Lighthouse Team & Amy Devlin attended a Novi Woods Leadership Workshop and purchased items for maker faire and technology that will help all grade levels current and future students.

Principal's Report

We want to thank PTA for the delicious lunches on Thursday and Friday last week for conferences. Those are long days for staff, but we felt so well taken care of. As a group who normally eats on the run it was delightful to tuck into some BBQ and some Mediterranean food together. Thanks so much.

MSTEP - 5th grade is testing, 4th and 3rd grade are next in a rotation fashion until end of May. Additionally all classes are being scheduled for NWEA MAP testing. Dr. Bryan reminded families to set appointments and other voluntary absences around the testing schedule if at all possible. We do not make up NWEA testing except in case of illness.

It's that time again! Next week Kindergarten Round Up begins for the incoming K class. It's too early to tell about upcoming enrollment, however, an enrollment survey will come home next week along with a student profile form. The student profile form is the parent opportunity to provide input for placement for next year's class assignments. The enrollment survey helps us know how many students will be returning in the coming year, which will help with student assignment and classroom planning.

Moraine's 50th birthday is being celebrated, and in honor Moraine students have written a book in honor of Moraine's birthday. Each page was written by Moraine students, except for the contribution from Mrs. Gallagher and Dr. Bryan. Students will celebrate our 50th birthday the first week in June with a week long leadership event. The Student Lighthouse Team is raising funds right now for a visit from the Snow Cone Truck, which they love enough to give its own page in the book. PTA granted funds that were used to purchase technology and makers tools that will be used by all Moraine students the first week in June.

Speaking of the first week in June, our annual PTA and parent volunteer lunch will be held on Tuesday, June 6. The meeting will begin at 11:30 AM with lunch served at 12:00 noon. It takes

a village to raise a child. We want to thank you for being our village this school year, and we hope you'll join us.

Another all school photo is in the works for May 18. Be watching listserv for information on what your child should wear. Normally we sell prints of this photo for \$5.00.

Superintendent's Report

No Report

Officer's Reports

Treasurer – Jenny Jones – See Financial Report

- We are still spending down this school year 2016/17 the extra funds the PTA has received over the years.
- Thank You to our wonderful PTA Members; we had income increases in a couple of areas such as membership, Script gift card program, Busch's and Kroger community reward programs.
- Northville PTA Co-council also increased their contribution to each school's PTA in NPS, including Moraine PTA.

President – The Lighthouse Team hosted a Leader in Me parent training to teach Moraine parents the 7 Habits their children are learning and using here at Moraine as students and ways to use them at home.

Vice President – Heather Bell – no report

Secretary – Joy Hudyma – no report

Committee Chair Reports

Yearbook – the yearbook order is submitted, we cannot wait to see them.

Thank you Family Fun Chairs for an awesome Boy's Night! Everyone had a great time!

New Business

- Teacher Grant Additions
 - The applications the Teacher Grant Committee received exceeded the \$3,800.00 budget for this year, however the PTA as a whole is still spending down extra funds as reported.
 - A grant request from kindergarten teachers was moved from PTA and granted through the Principal's Budget.
 - Amy Devlin, Learning Consultant, requested a grant for Movement and Learning Together tools. These tools will get students moving more. She has an impact on over 200 students a year. She is requesting \$2,000.00.
 - Mr. Nick, Art Teacher, is requesting 6 iPad's to support his art curriculum. Mr. Nick has applied and was granted 6 iPad's from Northville Community Foundation. He is requesting \$2,900.00.
 - Proposal that PTA fund Amy Devlin and Mr. Nick's 2 Grants.
 - iPad's would be purchased through NPS District.
 - Mr. Nick is a graphic artist and would like to teach our students about graphic arts.
 - Other teachers in the building will be able to sign out iPads to use in their classroom as well.
 - This proposal is a one time \$3,600.00 over the yearly budget we are asking for a one time to vote to approve.

- Call to vote to approve \$3,600.00 over Teacher Grant Fund budget to award the two Grants.
 - Motion to approve – Erin Favor
 - Second – Mike Forbis
 - in favor – all
 - opposed - none

- 4th Grade Lansing Trip Funding
 - This 4th grade trip will allow 4th grade student a chance to see Michigan State Government in action. Students will tour the State Capitol and History Museum in Lansing, Michigan.
 - We are looking to have PTA help fund this trip to lower costs to families. Total cost of the trip which includes the tour, admission to museum and bus charter fee is \$2,400.00. We are asking that PTA support 50% of this trip (\$1,200.00), we would like to add this as a line item to the annual budget.
 - Vote to approve to add \$1,200.00 to Annual PTA Budget for Lansing 4th Grade Trip.
 - Motion to approve – Adrienne Jewett
 - Second – Srujana Bolger
 - in favor - all
 - opposed - none

- Open Committee Chair Positions
 - Family Fun Committee Chair Position open

- Approval of Executive Board slate for 2017/2018 school year
 - Vice President – Jayne Poyner
 - Secretary – Adrienne Jewett
 - Motion to Approve Slate – Denise Bryan
 - Second – Joy Hudyma

Announcements

none

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn – Kelly Wessner at 7:36pm

Second – Denise Bryan

Please join us for our next PTA Meeting during our Volunteer Appreciation Lunch June 6th @ 11:30am.

--Math Presentation by Carrie Zielinski immediately following this PTA Meeting--