

WESPTSA Meeting Minutes

January 12, 2017

Attendees: Emily B., Michelle E., Tala E., Amy M., Jamie R., Carrie H., Lynette P., Angie H., Chad S., Melissa I., Craig D, Lina C., Becki D., Bron C.

1. Regular Business

- a. Welcome and Introductions.** Craig.
- b. Approve/Review November and December Minutes.** Craig.
 - i. Michelle motioned, Chad second. Minutes approved.
- c. Treasurer's Report.** Chad.
 - i. Amy motioned, Emily second. Report passed.
 - ii. See enclosed.

2. Events/Activities Calendar - recap and updates.

a. March

- i. Used book sale (13-17)(book collection 6-10).** Michelle looking for someone to take this event over next year. Hopefully we can find someone to shadow her this year and then run it next year. It needs to be someone who has availability during the day. Michelle noted that Lina C has offered to take over the Ice Cream Social for her; noted that the Social will now have 6 sub coordinator positions.
- ii. Family reading night (17).**

3. Communication.

a. Newsletter. Emily.

- i. Reviewed newsletter content, asked for future topic ideas. Discussed whether we should provide a hard copy of the newsletter to families and some do not have internet access. Maybe PTSA info should be included in packets provided to new enrollments as well. Also ask secretaries to place some additional copies of the newsletter within each office.

4. Succession planning - event leads and board positions. Craig.

- a. Reviewed enclosed list of succession planning. Still need a VP for next year.

5. Member Dues increase for 2016/2017 academic year. Craig

- a. Discussion whether membership dues should be increased from \$6 to \$10 per person.
- b. Currently have 78 members, 19 of which are teachers.
- c. The last dues increase was to cover postage. Current amount covers state and national dues. Not a money maker.
- d. Discussed why dues would be increased, what would be gained? Not a large amount to be gained and could be undue burden on parents. Member fees should be used to cover state/national cost, no more. Discussed notion of value - what do people get as a thing of value for becoming a member. Discussed benefits of membership. Need to have 25 members to maintain charter.

Discussed that teachers do not need to be members to accept PTSA funds, though if they chose to be members that is fine.

- e. No vote needed, will keep dues at \$6.
- 6. Other items - open discussion.**
- a. Emily provided handout from State PTA regarding Secretary of Education nomination. See enclosed.
 - b. Lynette discussed state pension issue which was brought up last meeting.
 - i. Discussed state advocacy page/resources. Craig pointed out this maybe a possible subcommittee in the future, he'll look into it some more. Emily and Craig to follow up with the state PTA.
 - c. Lynette stated that the grant request from Delta Dental was still pending.
 - d. Lynette - per Monica (Mileage Club) - stated that there's a new scanner for the MC instead of using the punch cards. It cost about \$200. Schools currently getting ready for MC, registration will start in February, and run begins in April. T shirts have already been donated.
- 7. Adjourn.**
- a. Amy motioned, Michelle second. Meeting adjourned.