

General Meeting Minutes

Present: Liz, Gasper, Terri, Paige, Laura, Cara, Sarah, Jenny, Jamie, Stephanie, Alicia, Jen L, Michelle Cook, Haigan Tchloakian, Katherine Finley, Kristin Smith, Lydia Shea, Jane Boefferding, Ashley Ogonowski, Christopher Douglas, Laurie Ovies, Jen Stark, Joanna Chapman, Rosemary Benda, Rebecca Lynch, Jenese Reynolds Gibbs

7:04 called to order

Secretary Liz Bayer confirmed quorum

School Board Liaison: Enrollment for Royal Oak schools has begun. Transportation workshop coming up Thursday February 16 at 6p. Mid-winter break is February 20 and 21

Teacher representative: Teachers enjoyed founder's day and honoring Mrs. Finnley and Mr. Watson. Students are now doing lunch in the gym instead of the cafeteria. Music concerts are coming up (1st grade tomorrow, March 7th for 2nd grade). Family circles won't start until March (weren't held in January due to snow day). March is reading month. February 28 is 3rd grade concert. Classroom Valentines parties will be held tomorrow. Teachers also appreciated PTA providing bagels and coffee at Late Start recently.

Principal- Boyer- Kindergarten information night was held, 34 families were present, PTA held a presence at the event. Wednesday-Friday will be data days next week. A new school psychologist has started named Abbie Dallas. 5th grade newsletter was sent to prepare students for transition. Middle school counselors will be visiting, and students will also get to make a trip to the middle school. Addams made a good turnout for Founder's Day and the principal expressed appreciation for the event.

President Report- Shared open board and committee chair positions. Terri moved to have JEDI position have a representative on the Board. Laura seconded this motion. Members present voted to approve this.

Secretary- Minutes were shared. Laura made a motion to approve. Sarah seconded it.

Treasurer- Laura shared Treasurer's report

Membership- Membership up to 153. We are looking for representatives for the spiritwear committee.

Fundraising- Blenderz fundraiser for Mondays in February, March 24 will be Olgas, April will be Sherlie's. Staff lip sync date TBD. Nautical bowls may be interested in doing a fundraiser in the future.

Communications- Work is being done to update the website. Debate continues on parking in the kiss and go zone and whether signs could help. Helping parents to organize car pool groups was also discussed as an option to have less traffic if more people car pooled.

Founders Day- Addams had a large presence at the event. A lot of teachers attended the event from Addams. Scott Watson won the award for educator of the year. Jenny K won distinguished service award. ABCD (above and beyond call of duty) award went to Mrs. Finnley.

Committee Reports:

DEI/Jedi- Reviewing the results of a survey to get feedback on how Addams PTA can be more inclusive. 2 events are being planned to get families together. One will be a parent night out at a restaurant. Another event will be a family friendly meet up at a local park. Also discussed marketing to show what PTA is about and ways to get involved. Discussed having a place to store chill zone supplies and wanting to add more supplies for it.

Talent Show- Auditions coming up in March. April 13 is the dress rehearsal for the talent show. April 14 for talent show. There will be a 5th grade act.

Sweetheart: Liz discussed plans for the event. Motion was made by Laura to approve \$1200 as budget for the event. Sarah Schwartz seconded it. Members approved. Deadline to RSVP is 2/24 and ways to promote the event were discussed. Accommodations will be made for allergies in the food for the event. Chill Zone will be available for students to take a break.

Nominating committee: We are collecting nominations for new board members

Reflections: We are exploring an open house for late March to highlight work submitted by students.

5th grade graduation: Will have a car parade. Clap out in the halls. Musical production. Ceremony. Fire hydrant fun after. 5th graders are designing wings where each student designs a feather.

Fun Fair: We would love to have it but we don't currently have a chair. A few members present offered to help split the responsibilities. It was discussed it would take several members willing to help with planning to pull this event off.

Playground: Working on proposal for budget

Meeting adjourned at 9:01pm