

**Lone Star Elementary  
PTA Meeting  
November 14, 2017**

**Members Present:**

Natalie Kelly, Chuck Bigi, Patty Saubuda, Ann Marie Ronsman, Sarah Karst, Kristin Tallas, Kristen Ward, Rachel Anderson, Wendy Campbell, Amanda Foshee, Gretchen Williamson, Sarah Rhea, Veronica Afill, Catherine Bartlett, Sally Kirkland, Christina Smalley, Eric Eveland

Gretchen Williamson called the meeting to order at 8:53 a.m. after a presentation from the 7 Habits leadership presentation team.

**Minutes** – Chuck Bigi made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Eric Eveland seconded, and the motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report** – Eric Eveland reviewed the bank statement from October 31. He reported that for August 1 – November 13, the income as \$107,139 with \$40,209 in expenses for a net of \$60,367.

**Principals Corner** – Dr. Bartlett reported that Tribe Day is on Thursday. Friday is the Kindergarten Pow Wow Parade. They will send home RSVP links in the newsletter for Christmas parties. She said that leadership jobs are going well. There were opportunities for 5<sup>th</sup> graders to be hosts and help seat people at the Veterans Day program, and another opportunity for all grades. She noted that she appreciates everyone's help in making the Fun Run a success.

**Announcements:**

- Teacher Luncheon Cookie Swap – Sign ups should be available when we get back from Thanksgiving break.
- Minutes – Instead of printing the minutes and reading them at the meeting, we will send out a reminder the day before to go on the website and read them there. There will be one copy at the meeting. There was a suggestion for double-sided printing.
- Yearbook - Don't forget to order your yearbook. The price increases on November 30. Sally Kirkland needs someone to take photos at the Kinder Pow Wow Parade. She will also need people to upload photos from holiday parties. There is information on the PTA website on how to upload photos. Please make sure you put the grade.
- Thank you to everyone who helped with the Veterans Day decorating.

- Natalie Kelly reported that for grade level decorations, the room moms are asking grade level parents to help. Be on the lookout for opportunities to help.
- Amanda Foshee reported that the birthday books are going well. There was a suggestion to celebrate half-birthdays for summer birthdays. November and December birthdays will be celebrated on Friday, December 1.

### **Fundraising**

Fun Run – Gretchen Williamson thanked everyone for all of the help that week. We raised \$51,000, after paying Apex. The money will go towards programs and a 5<sup>th</sup> grade computer cart. Some will be going to individual classrooms. This will be the only fundraiser this year.

### **Programs**

Natalie Kelly reported that we will have BMX Perfection on Wheels on one of the Tribe Days - either February 8 or March 29.

### **Voting:**

The following items needed to be voted on:

- Fifth Grade Computer Cart – This was one of our big goals. Each grade already has one, now 5<sup>th</sup> will as well. Cost: \$18,305.
- Garden – This is the garden program that all of the students use. This is just for the fall. Cost: \$4,600.
- Roses for the Veterans Day program – Cost: \$45.37
- Subscription for school-wide programs – RAZKids – an online program they can use at home. 3 year subscription. Cost: \$4,101.84
- Total \$27,052.21

Eric Eveland made a motion to pay for the above items with the money raised from the Fun Run. Christina Smalley seconded, and the motion carried.

### **Questions**

Gretchen Williamson opened the floor for questions. It was asked – will we decide later what to do with the money left from the Fun Run? Gretchen Williamson noted that yes, there will be more in the spring, including a spring program, the Leader in Me, and another garden day invoice. The garden day invoice is for instruction and care of the garden from a master gardener. It supports what they're learning in science. We pay for the Leader in Me at the end of the year for the next year. It should be about \$11,000. This is our individual focus for our elementary school.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 am. The next meeting is December 12.