

Minutes  
General PTA Membership Meeting  
February 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018, 7:00pm  
Mantua Elementary School

I. Meeting called to order by Sam Leiber @ 7:07pm

Executive Board & Membership Attendees: Sam Leiber, Nicole Willis, Dawn Keene, Terri Radziewski, Trina Rasmussen, Kathleen Cashin, Emily Dagon, Molly Gravholt

Administration & School Representatives: Jan-Marie Fernandez, Amy Alley

II. Minutes of January 2018 PTA Meeting adopted

III. Reports

**President's Report**

**Sam Leiber**

Sam was hoping to have a Nominating Committee on which to vote at this point but there has not been any progress on that front. He did solicit volunteers on the MoMs Facebook page to no avail. We have to have a Nominating Committee to vote on by next meeting.

**Treasurer's Report**

**Nicole Willis**

**Budget Numbers Since Last Meeting, January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

**Fundraisers**

- Box Tops - \$1,270.60 received for the period of March 2017 to November 2017
- Amazon Click-Through Link - \$104.77 for November 2017's fees
- Harris Teeter TIE – sent us \$100 for completing the “Link Up!” Challenge to get more members to link their cards
- Movie Night - \$50 expense for cashbox start-up funds for concessions

**Programs & Events**

- Spring Break Art Camp - \$2,050.00 received for registrations. Expenses will be paid out after the camp is completed.
- Drama Club - \$665.20 spent this past month (\$385 Community Use fees, \$280.20 for Playbooks and Royalty Fees for Stuart Little)

## **Staff-Related Expenses**

### Learning Resources Expenses

- Music - \$219 for handheld microphones – submitted originally via the Wish Fund submissions – using this budget account instead
- Electronics - \$495 for document cameras and \$939 for projectors – both originally requested via the Wish Fund submissions; splitting up the expenses of the projectors between this and the Wish Fund

### **Mantua ES Wish Fund**

- \$5,680 additional reimbursements to the school for:
  - Qty 4 laptops = \$1,580.00
  - Projectors = \$4,100.00

## **Principals' Report**

**Jan-Marie Fernandez**

### **Past Events:**

- 5th & 6<sup>th</sup> grade Strings Concert
- Luther Jackson MS visit for 6<sup>th</sup> graders attending next year
- Frost MS visit for 6<sup>th</sup> graders attending next year
- Parent Education Night – Pediatrician
- 4<sup>th</sup> grade Human Growth & Development
- Frost Parent Orientation Night
- Representatives from Frost & Luther Jackson visit to discuss schedules
- Start of 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter
- 6<sup>th</sup> grade Planetarium visit

### **Upcoming Events:**

- 2/9 PTA Event: Movie Night, Boss Baby
- 2/12-16 Principal Appreciation Week
- 2/12 Frost Middle School Preparation for 6<sup>th</sup> graders
- 2/16 PTA Family Fun: Valentine's Day Dance
- 2/16 4<sup>th</sup> grade Human Growth & Development cont'd
- 2/16 6<sup>th</sup> grade visit Planetarium
- 2/19 SCHOOL CLOSED: President's Day
- 2/22 4<sup>th</sup> grade Dental Health Information Session
- 2/23 Mantua Spelling Bee
- 3/2 Dentist to visit 3<sup>rd</sup> grade

### Teachers & Administration:

Dr. Braband has been working with the county government on the budget with the main focus on staff salaries, specifically to make teacher salaries more competitive. There is the plan to make a small shift to admin salaries as well. There is a need for parent support to get this budget approved. All county principals are meeting to discuss resources and teacher hiring & retention.

For the past two weeks, we have been working on teacher evaluations and have started interviewing for next year. We are hoping to have a great candidate for next year.

### Language Survey:

75% of parents and teachers voted to have Spanish as the second language taught at Mantua ES going forward. We still need the school board to sign off on this change and we are currently awaiting approval.

### Roof:

Despite the fencing on the roof, we continue to have children getting up on the roof at night and on weekends. Their acts are causing destruction and we have had to take apart walls in order to repair damaged plumbing work. Two classrooms are no longer getting water as a result. It is also extremely dangerous. These children need to be caught.

### **Principals' Report (cont')**

**Amy Alley**

- WIDA – testing was started in January for students with English as a Second Language; receive scores at the end of the school year
- IOWA – given to 6<sup>th</sup> graders; receive results in 1-2 months
- Naglieri – conducted on Tuesday, February 13<sup>th</sup>; given to 1<sup>st</sup> graders and select 2<sup>nd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> graders who are ESL and did not receive the CogAT; receive scores in approximately 5-6 weeks
- AAP Screening is currently ongoing
- SOL – State Standard of Learning assessments for 3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grades; everyone takes Reading and Math; 4<sup>th</sup> grade also takes VA History and 5<sup>th</sup> grade takes Science; dates are as follows:

#### Reading:

May 15<sup>th</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> Grade

May 16<sup>th</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> Grade

May 17<sup>th</sup> - 4<sup>th</sup> Grade

May 18<sup>th</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade

#### Math:

May 22<sup>nd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> grade

May 23<sup>rd</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> grade

May 24<sup>th</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> grade

May 25<sup>th</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> grade

May 30<sup>th</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> grade VA History

May 31<sup>st</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> grade Science

**1<sup>st</sup> Vice President for Programs**

**Dawn Keene**

- A Talent Show meeting will be held one week prior to the Talent Show (3/10). One parent/per participating child needs to volunteer. We are still looking for volunteers - primarily concession chair and master of ceremony.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President for Fundraising/Membership**

**Terri Radziewski**

- Restaurant Night at Flippin Pizza brought in just over \$400
- Currently working on lining up Bonchon as our next Restaurant Night
- Movie Night is tomorrow (2/9) – Boss Baby – no admission but there will be concessions
- Spring Fling planning has begun

IV. Old Business

None

V. New Business

None

VI. Announcements – check out [www.mantuapta.org](http://www.mantuapta.org) for more information on these and other events:

VII. Adjournment @ 8:04pm