Waterloo Elementary School PTA

Board Meeting

January 29, 2018

Waterloo ES Media Center

1. Welcome and Call to Order
2. Quorum Established (9 Board 5 members)
3. November 27, 2017 minutes approved
4. Report of Officers
5. Treasurer’s Report –November and December invoices are in and look good. We have 3 spirit wear invoices to pay. We are compliant with charitable donations procedures.
6. President’s Report –We are working with Ms. Black to get 5th grade t-shirts. Hoping to get them in February/March time frame. Still need a silent auction chair for February 23rd. Looking to push May PTA meeting since it conflicts with band/orchestra concert. Potential new date is June 4th. February 8th there is a MD PTA night at the Annapolis Legislature for all interested.
7. Delegate’s Report –No meeting in January.
8. Principal’s Report-Ms. Yarn discussed quotes for the outdoor sign. We currently have 3 quotes ranging from $11,000 to $14,000. The electrical is good so no need to run extra. The county will take care of permits. The old sign will be removed by Building Services. Joe Corbi’s brought in $1,600 for the school which will go towards the sign fund. Calvin Johnson is the new Day Chief hired. Have several new vacancies. Brittany Sibiski received a promotion, Donna Hedrick is moving to Hammond and Bonnie Phillips is moving to Canada. The school should receive the staffing potential for next year at the beginning of February. Received $5,000 for long term planning. 2nd through 5th grade have done instructional planning and school improvement discussions. 2nd grade worked on Math planning and 3rd through 5th worked on reading and math planning. Waterloo has the honor of being named a Blue Ribbon school. We are one of only 6 schools in the state to receive the honor for 2017. We were chosen for test scores and closing the achievement gap. We will receive a $2,000 grant in recognition of the teachers. March 12th there is an awards dinner in Annapolis. Forty staff members and 2 delegates from the PTA are attending. March 30th we are applying for National Recognition. Have to have a 400-800 word narrative detailing core curriculum, school climate, school culture and leadership policies. On May 2nd there will be an awards ceremony and visit to school by the Superintendent and elected officials. The ceremony will be from 9:30 to 11am and will include a Mrs. Fields cookie party for the students. Mr. Martin is looking into staff appreciation t-shirts and banners. He asked for the support of PTA for t-shirts for the students.

1. Report of Committees –
2. Community Engagement (Amy Baker) –Online ordering for yearbook has begun. $19 if you order by April 9th and $25 after. We have committed to 300 yearbooks. March 9th is class pictures. March 31st is the deadline for turning in the yearbook to be published. Classroom supply list has been updated. Thank you for all donations. Banners have been designed and printed. We are waiting on the hardware to hang them up. There is a banner for 5th grade pod, the stage and a welcome banner.
3. Family Involvement (Monique McDowell-Russell) – International night sign up genius has been sent out. Mission BBQ, Dick’s, Terrapin Adventures, Drama Learning, Monster Golf, and Adventure Park have all donated items for silent auction.
4. Special Events and Programs (Michele Kennedy) –We earned $900 for Spirit Wear. Play is awaiting approval. Chess is starting again with tournaments in March and April. Kidz Art is fully booked.
5. Ways and Means (Kyra)-Urban BBQ made $140 at restaurant night. Still waiting on Tino’s to report earnings. Panera Bread and Noodles and Co. are upcoming. Box tops brought in $334.50 for the first quarter. Honey Baked Ham gift cards brought in $115.
6. New Business –Delegate from I-9 Sports came in to discuss partnership with PTA and maybe donating items to get their name out there. Formed nominating committee for positions. Deepshikha Antes is chair with Rob Burks, Erin Sloan, Michele Kennedy and Lisa Loveland on the committee.
7. Announcements & Upcoming Events
* Monday, February 5th- Restaurant Night at Panera
* Tuesday, February 20th – Restaurant Night at Noodles and Co
* Friday, February 23rd – International Night
* Monday, February 26th – PTA General Meeting
1. Adjournment