

I. Call to Order by Daniella Hayes. Meeting started at 7:07 pm.

A. Welcome – Daniella Hayes welcomed in attendance.

- Attendees - Karen Higgins, Susana Walker, Jessica Torres, Melissa Graham, Shari Johnston, Regina Juan, Sylvia Guzman, Daniella Hayes, Kristen Bulleri, Kristine Whitelaw, Virginia Holunga.

B. Approval of Meeting Minutes

- **A motion was made by Kristine Bulleri to approve the minutes from February 2015. The motion was seconded by Kristine Whitelaw and passed.**

II. Reports

A. Treasurer's Report – Sylvia Guzman

- The Fund-a-Book category has money posted incorrectly: About \$2000 should to be moved out to a different category.
- The Budget for Bonnie Sanders is posted at \$800. It is considered to be too high and was requested to be adjusted to \$650.
- The Budget for Megan Clappin is posted at \$650. It is too low and was requested to be adjusted to \$800.
- **A motion was made by Karen Higgins to fund the Librarian for the 2015-2016 School Year at a cap limit of \$9500. The motion was seconded by Virginia Holunga and passed.**

B. Principal's Report – Shari Johnston

- School will be closed from March 12th and 13th.
- Students will be released early from March 16th through March 20th.
- The California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress, or CAASPP, will begin April 13th for the 5th grade classes. They will be using the Chrome Books for these tests.

C. Teacher's Report – Regina Juan

- The Kindergarten teachers have requested that the PTO purchase six Kid Gear head phones for use with the Chrome Books. The total cost for all the Kid Gear head phones is \$165 and includes six bags to hold the head phones, plus tax and shipping. **A motion was made by Kristen Bulleri to purchase six Kid Gear head phones at a cap limit of \$165. The motion was seconded by Kristine Whitelaw and passed.**
- Megan Clappin, a 5th grade teacher, requested that the PTO purchase books for her 5th grade writing program and a subscription to current videos for her classroom. She listed the purchases in order of need. Top priority is books about the Revolutionary War, second is books about Explorers. Third priority is Apple TV. **A motion was made by Karen Higgins to purchase books about the**

Revolutionary War at a cost not to exceed \$110. Megan Clappin will receipt the PTO for costs above the cost of her classroom funds. The motion was seconded by Susana Walker and passed.

- Bonnie Sanders, the Inclusion teacher, does not have a school-issued lap top. She is requesting \$400 from the PTO to purchase a new PC laptop. The PTO has tabled this discussion so Bonnie Sanders can gather more information about who would support and maintain the warranty. She was requested to obtain the proper specifications from the District so the District could support her new PC laptop. She will report back and the PTO will then discuss the purchase.

III. Old Business:

- Schoola Fundraiser – Schoola Fundraiser turns outgrown clothes into money for the Jackson Avenue PTO, selling gently-used kid's clothes on line. The Jackson Avenue PTO receives 40% of the purchase price. Donors can bring in clothes for this fundraiser from April 7-10.
- Family Night Out – Family Night Out was at Patxi's, February 17th and it raised \$262.56.

IV. New Business:

- The ELAC Kickball game, Teachers-vs-Moms, has been cancelled, raising the question of how ELAC parents can encourage teacher involvement in social events with their families. It was suggested that the teachers be provided a survey a list to choose from so that they know what types of activities to expect. Some examples could be: Bingo Night, Karaoke Night, and Serve Night (where Teachers sell and serve food to the kids.) Apple Bee's will work with the School to do this. ELAC would like to purchase a message board to post information at the school. **A motion was made by Regina Juan to purchase two enclosed messaged boards at a cost not to exceed \$670. The motion was seconded by Kristen Bulleri and passed.**
- The 4th Grade families would like to host a Movie Night and Texas Roadhouse Night on Friday April 17th. All the Texas Roadhouse purchases and Movie Night proceeds will help fund the 5th Grade Science Camp next year.
- The Teacher Appreciation Lunch will be held on March 20th. The theme will be "Mexican." Please sign up to bring a dish for the teachers.
- Parent Club Information Council, or PCIC, has asked for Peachjar feedback. Peachjar is the new web-based message board for Jackson and the District. Please send your feedback to Danielle so she can forward it to the Council.

V. Announcements:

- The After School Art program with the Young Rembrandts is starting a new session at the school on Thursdays.
- The Spring Fundraiser meeting will be held on Wednesday March 25th--location to be announced.

VI. Adjournment:

- The next PTO meeting is set for April 8th from 7:00-8:00pm.
- The meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm.