Jackson Avenue PTO Meeting Minutes

Attendees: Mary Brazil, Samantha Linford, Leah Kletnieks, Katie Smith, Katy McGuire, Aimee Holloway, Tom Jones, Shawna Bowligny, Julia McGurk, Amanda Williams

Call to Order

- I. Welcome
- A. Approval of February meeting minutes: motion to approve Katie Smith, seconded by Katy McGuire, all in favor.

Reports

- I. Principal's Report
- A. California has extended the TK birthday deadline to February 3rd. This will stay in place until the 2025-2026 school year. This will lead to universal TK for the state. TK classes will be added to the district.
- II. Teachers' Report
 - A. The students enjoyed the 4th grade gold rush afternoon. The students made covered wagons, homemade butter, cornbread, and they panned for gold. Thank you to the PTO.
- III. Treasurer's Report
 - A. Family Night Out fundraisers have been doing well. Paint Night is more of a family fun event than a fundraiser. The read-a-thon raised well over the anticipated amount.
 - B. Open Heart Kitchen donation was \$676.08.
 - C. \$20,000 moved from checking to a money market account to gain interest.

IV. PCIC Report

- A. Specialized Programs
- B. Project Lead the Way will include professional development for k-5 teachers for real world learning, and hands-on activities.
- C. IB program at Joe Mitchell and Granada empowers kids to take ownership of their own learning and make a difference in the world.
- D. Youth Build transitions young adults, 18-24 year old students for whom traditional education didn't work. They didn't graduate and this program allows apprenticeship and training for jobs with academic support, ged, and job placement. We are the only district in the state who has it.
- E. Del valle bike program they refurbish old bikes and sell them.
- F. Avid organization, note taking and goal setting are the aspects we focus on. Next year we will add inquiry.
- G. Junction has k-8 dual immersion English/Spanish.

Old Business

- I. Read-a-thon
 - A. The Read-a-thon had 195 participants. We have made \$13,656 with \$616 still outstanding. Pledgestar will take a 7% cut. Anyone who participated and raised \$10 gets a prize for the book fair next week.

II. Book Fair

A. Set-up will be Friday at 2:15. Shopping will take place each day next week after school from 1:30-2:30. There will be shopping Tuesday morning and Thursday evening. students can use money or e-wallet. Teachers can set up an e-wallet for their classroom that parents can donate to. Book fair vouchers must be used in one transaction. Fund-a-book allows students without money to choose one book up to a \$10 value.

New Business

- I. Running Club
- A. Teachers/facilitators are supposed to log in and out every week. Do not delete the app and reload because students lose their laps. Next year we will use laces instead of the metal necklaces.Fridays have 50 kids attending but only 4 volunteers. No running club this Friday due to assembly.
- II. Bond department
- A. The bond department is redoing all the blacktops, everything will be restriped. We will keep most of what we have. More of a quiet area near the science buildings. Running track will be a smaller track.

III. Measure A

A. There will be a special election ballot in May for the parcel tax which would last for 7 years. It pays 4 million dollars a year which allows for science specialists, technology, and document cameras for the classrooms. This tax would expire in June. Measure A won't increase the tax, but would extend it for another 7 years. Science specialists may be laid off due to lack of funding if not passed. We can donate to the campaign because this is an education measure and not a candidate. Motion to endorse as a PTO Katie Smith, motion seconded by Julia McGurk, motion passed. Motion to donate \$2,500 to the campaign Mary Brazil, motion seconded Aimee Holloway. Motion passed six to one; three abstained. Motion to put this under special projects miscellaneous funding Amanda Williams, motion seconded Shawna Bowligny, motion passed six to one; three Administrator, teacher, and PTO president abstained from both votes.

IV. PE

A. PE closet has been inventoried. We will purge what teachers no longer want/need, and will then see what may be needed. A classroom may be used for p.e. storage to allow more space.

Open Discussion

I. Interest in relining the parking lot and getting do not enter and directional signs. A crossing guard is requested.

Adjourned - 8:31