

JFK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
PTO Minutes
January 12, 2015
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PRESIDENT: Valerie Gifford

VICE PRESIDENT: Ruby Copley

TREASURER: Gina Gentile

SECRETARY: Lynette Roquemore

ATTENDANCE:

The meeting was called to order by Valerie Gifford at 2:45

The minutes were approved by Ms. Butcher with second by Debbie Denault

12 members present at meeting; introduction of all those in attendance

Our Superintendent, Mr. Inskeep and treasurer, Mr. Schall were present

Mr. Inskeep explained "anatomy of snow day" - it is a difficult decision. A conversation happens between various area superintendents; Mr. Inskeep and Mr. Lackey drive the roads/walk around early in AM to determine delays/closures.

If a parent feels that the weather creates an unsafe environment for their student to attend school, we will respect their concerns and excuse those absences as long as they have not exceeded 15 excused absences.

Mr. Inskeep then discussed the Permanent Improvement Proposal which will be on the ballot March 15th - it is "new" money.

PI - Permanent Improvement Levy = \$98/ year on \$100K home.

Items included in the levy (to be completed in next 3-5 years):

- improve safety and security (add building cameras which are connected to first responders)
- 1 million square feet of flat roofing needs repaired/replaced
- 1.3 million square feet of parking lots, concrete and curbing need repaired/replaced
- HVAC maintenance
- replace 3 buses/year
- textbooks/technology - replacement of current technology
- workforce readiness tools and instrument repair/replacement
- all day Kindergarten/expansion of preschool opportunities (add classrooms/teaching positions)
- upgrade safety/security for alternative classroom space at Barnes Building
- auditorium improvements
- replace football and soccer turf
- bleachers for band members and fans on the end of the stadium
- new set of bleachers at JFK

doing this now uses a fiscally conservative approach; without levy, the district will be in the red in 2020.

If you want to follow Mr. Inskeep, his twitter handle is kcsfirebird1

Principal's Report:

Ms. Smith did outstanding job with 3rd grade play and sing around the tree

Awards assembly day today - kids appreciate the recognition

Need to make sure our kids are dressed for the weather

OLD BUSINESS:

Box Top contest this week

PTO NEEDS: If interested, please see any board member for more details.

- Carnival co-chairs: Valerie Gifford and Debbie Denault are running carnival this year on April 7th. Still looking for volunteers to help out
- Fundraiser coordinator
- Spirit Wear coordinator
- Family Night Out Coordinator
- Plant Sale Coordinators

Discussed need for help with PTO programs - several parents have students leaving JFK. The board will be cutting programs/events for next year if these positions cannot be filled.

NEW BUSINESS:

Skateworld - this Thu from 6-8

Volunteer lunch - Feb 5th - lunch for all of the volunteers from Ms. Butcher and staff

February 10th - evening conference night - order subs for teachers?

Field Day - 4th and 5th grade participate and compete against another Kettering elementary school
JFK needs a banner; cost for 5x10 is \$275 - members in attendance were in favor of the purchase

Family Night Out Events:

February 10th - Chick-Fil-A (**tentative**) - (need flier) - checking locations - more to follow

March 9th - Buffalo Wild Wings - (need flier and minimum of \$300 in sales)

April - TBD - still checking on other places

May 13th - Dairy Queen

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Income:

\$688 Kroger

\$2121 Box Tops

Expenses:

teacher reimbursement

TEACHER'S REPORT:

Mrs. Bodiker and Ms. Dudick present

Questions about status of plant sale coordinators. Beth Specht will be helping with this.

Mrs. Bodiker asked about reaching out to ESOL parents, using an interpreter and providing information in their native language when possible to increase participation/support to the PTO.

Motion to Adjourn was made by Valerie Gifford at 3:45; second by Ruby Copley

NEXT MEETING: February 9th @ 6:30