

PTA minutes April 2019

7:18pm- Meeting begins

Destination Imagination presentation

Random Guess team here to present. Just had our State tournament. Random Guess got 2nd place! Earned the highest in Challenge. We found out last Friday that Random Guess get to go to Globals. Have begun fundraising. Would like to set up a GoFundMe page for fundraising. Would also like to set up a table at Open House. Registration will be covered by Pullman School District. \$1000 from _____. Trying to think outside the box for fundraising, some grant requests have been submitted.

Minutes:

Motioned by: Meg Gollnick

Second by: Brian Edwards

Result: Unanimous pass

Principals report:

Welcome back from Spring Break, if you had a break I hope it was a good one, if not I'm sorry. Last meeting I talked about significant staffing changes that will be taking place. To add, Esther Joireman will be leaving us at the end of June. We will be sad to see her go, she has been here a long time. We recently completed interviews for Kamiak and Jefferson secretary positions. We interviewed 9 solid candidates, and we did find a great fit for Jefferson. Still pending board approval. Her name is Julie Cross. Comes with great experience and a great attitude. Destination Imagination- what a great opportunity for these children to get to go to Globals. Very proud of all the students who participated in DI this year. Thankful for the coaches: Sonia Bringhurst and Jill Patera and Jaclyn Gotch. Quick update on the OLL, wanted to thank Meg for the work she has done to secure funding for the OLL, Pullman Education Foundation (\$4000). Thank you letter on behalf of PTA to PEF. Update on new JES open house April 23rd. Two planning meetings have taken place, the last one was the most productive with the whole team there. The event will be a Jungle-themed adventure where new students will get to explore their new school. Riddles to help them find new areas to explore, Student council will be tour guides. Thank you Ericka for your work on this as well. The Science Fair was awesome! It was well attended and there was some cool projects that students and families worked on together.

Treasurer's Report

We had \$4000 plus another \$1200 that has come in for the OLL, so that has helped us pay off the remaining bills. We have limited funds for the rest of the year, so we wanted to go over with everyone what our plan is for those funds. Art fair- maybe \$100 for refreshments, Drama club has been minimal thus far this year, planning on \$200 for 5th grade day camp, \$30 for movie nights, \$175 for playground equipment, \$100 for Teacher appreciation, \$500 for BBQ, custodial appreciation \$150, \$100 for new family welcome night, \$100 Teacher mini grants is what we are thinking. Paid out Pantry money to Meg to get it out of the account. WSU School of Architecture will be donating \$1350 as well. Yearbook will still happen incoming and outgoing zero out.

Committee updates

Art Fair/Art Docent- Art docent going really well, WSU art students have been great Art Fair is April 25th. We had talked about the possibility of running the Art show a bit longer than 5-6pm. Open house will run from 5-6, Art Show will go from 5-6:30pm. Will buy cookies using the allotted \$100.

Book Fair- on track June 5th-7th

Box Tops- Brandy will look and see what we did last year, but are there any big dates to avoid. Probably shoot for the first week of May.

Drama club- no update: not present

End of the Year BBQ- June 7th- still working on getting ahold of committee chair, order burgers through the school district, buns ordered through IGA. Question was posed about whether there would be an opportunity for new JES families to be able to interact with current JES families that are staying. Not likely for the BBQ since it is already difficult. Might fit better with our Back to School Night, maybe expand it to be more of a meet and greet. Meg and Lindha will take on the BBQ.

Fundraiser- Gameraiser info will be sent out at the end of this week. More of a time for Teachers to create their wish lists. Will not be doing the Family game night so the gameraiser will be online only. We will get \$250 in free games. Kamiak will get \$500 in free games as well, since we will have wish lists for Kamiak teachers. We will get 30% back of any sales. Meg will not be here so SOMEONE will need to step up to run the fundraiser next year so this will be an important to recruit.

Green Team- Next meeting will be this Wednesday. We will be doing an art project, recycled art, for the art show. Still working on rescheduling assembly

T-shirts- no update

Memberships- no update

Movie Night- the Lorax, April 19th

OLL- ready to roll! Wanted to start today out there but the weather got in the way! The Lions Club will be assisting the students with the project. Every Tuesday and Thursday through the first week of May working on the various projects throughout the space. Wrote a grant for \$6000, working on 3 additional smaller grants. Jana has been wonderful to work with and Kelli will be putting in the paperwork for a Washington Green Schools certification/award paperwork. Rena Minks received a grant for \$500 for tools and had already purchased the shed with another grant. A lot of pieces coming together for this project. Pullman Building Supply reduced materials cost. Meg's brother is also assisting in getting some cedar at a reduced cost.

Science Fair- very successful- Brenda Schroeder did a great job. Suzanee Sakwa will take over next year

Snack Pantry- Lindha Sagen, great volunteers, great team – SEL cuts carrots, fresh food/fruit donations, community that is here to help. Need the word to get out to make sure we continue to support the kids that need it – hoping to get Sunnyside up and running but Kamiak will have one. Main goal is to get the two elementary schools started. JES 125 kids every week (largest #), center for civil engagement and a few dedicated volunteers that show up each week. Chairs main duties is making sure we have coverage on Friday's (staffing) – someone to over see that. During the week someone does inventory to make sure we refill what we need. CCE has a dedicated employee who is manned for this project so chair is really just there to make sure they have a representative. 11-12 on Friday's so can be during a lunch hour. In-between the school district and schools. JES high numbers is likely because Linhda and Meg were very proactive in recruiting families they knew needed help. We will be including Snack Pantry program as a priority committee. Will also have a table at New Family welcome nights to let incoming families know about the program, especially since Sunnyside does not currently have a Pantry

Teacher Appreciation Week- Cards to be signed

Yearbook- Jaclyn is on it! Order forms will be out soon.

New Business

- LMS booster is looking for volunteers- need Chair and Vice Chair
- Time to think about Nominations for officer positions, especially for President and Treasurer

Meeting Adjourned- 8:25pm