

PRAIRIE VIEW ELEMENTARY PTO

April 2017 General Meeting Minutes

Date, Time, and Location: Monday, April 10, 2017 at 6:30pm in Library

Meeting Called to Order by: President Nicole Adams at 6:30pm

Board Members Present: Cara Spink, Nicole Adams, Sarah Green, Brynian Stewart, Sarah Kingrey

Staff Members Present: Tracy Jordan, Suzanne Bofenkamp, Lisa Martin, Alicia Eckman, Kellie Nixon, Jen Bagnall, Janis Northrop

Please Note Commonly Used Abbreviations:

PVE: Prairie View Elementary, **PTO:** Parent Teacher Organization, **PVPTO:** Prairie View PTO

Nicole Adams, President, opened the meeting with greetings and introductions. Nicole asked for a motion to approve March 2017 meeting minutes:

- Motion by Cara Spink to approve March 2017 meeting minutes –
- Seconded by Brynian Stewart

Result: PASS

Fifth Grade presentation – SBA (Smarter Balanced Assessment) by Alicia Eckman

Encourage your students to:

Get a good night Sleep

Healthy Breakfast

Encourage your child to do their best

DO NOT schedule appointments during your child's testing period

Different types of tests within SBA:

CAT- Computer Adapted Test

PT – Performance Task

ELA – English Language Arts

MSP – Measurement of Student Progress

Prairie View has historically done well on standardized tests. Rachelle Mulder has analyzed some of the scores since starting the Smarter Balanced Assessment, and teachers have been able to hit targets that may have been missed previously.

A lot of the prep has been on “how to take a test on the computer” – Rachelle Peters has been working on this during Library time.

Rachelle Mulder and Sara Ferris have helped kids with test taking skills.

Goals have been based on analyzing data from the past 2 years of SBA testing scores.

Individual student test scores DO NOT impact the student achievement or placement. Teachers treat it as one more data point in the student's portfolio. It is not "make or break".

Testing Schedule as presented by Alicia Eckman:

Grade 3:

April 25 – ELA – CAT
April 26 – ELA – CAT
May 3 – ELA – PT
May 4 – ELA – PT
May 17 – Math – CAT
May 23 – Math – PT

Grade 4:

May 1 – ELA – CAT
May 2 – ELA – CAT
May 10 – ELA – PT
May 11 – ELA – PT
May 23 – Math – CAT
May 25 – Math – PT

Grade 5:

May 2 – ELA – CAT
May 3 – ELA CAT
May 10 – ELA – PT
May 11 – ELA – PT
May 16 – Math – CAT
May 18 – Math – PT
May 24 – MSP – Science

TREASURER'S REPORT: Cara Spink and Brynian Stewart, Co-Treasurers

❖ Cara noted a few items:

- We still have not received the Box Tops checks
- Art-A-Baloo supplies are over budget, but this should be corrected after MoMMA
- Teacher Stipends – we are WAY over budget – Cara took left-over money from other accounts to help reconcile, but there is still a reimbursement request for college pennants that is outstanding that we will not be able to pay. Also, the request for reimbursement for college pennants includes individuals who are not part of the teacher stipend allotment. Also, college pennants do not meet the criteria to be paid under the Teacher Stipend account. Nicole, Sarah G. and Cara will set up a meeting with Irene to discuss.

➤ *Motion by Brynian to approve the Financial Reports as of April 10, 2017 Seconded by Sarah Green*

Result: PASS

Grant Requests:

- *Motion by Cara to approve \$600 for a field trip for the 3rd graders to Northwest Museum of Arts and Culture*
- *Seconded By Sarah Green / Brynian Stewart*
 - *Discussion: Enhance science curriculum with Fossil program and social studies American Indian unit.*

Result: PASS

- *Motion by Cara to approve \$1000 for a field trip for the 4th graders to Wallace Mines – this is for cost of bus only*
- *Seconded By Sarah Green*
 - *Discussion: Parents will have to pay for entrance to the mines and museum. This trip enhances Earth Materials science curriculum-both in FOSS and reading curriculum. Students will hear from a retired miner about the gold/silver rush in this area, and how electricity enhanced the mining operation.*

Result: PASS

- *Motion by Cara to approve \$130 for Music K-8 Subscription, which included software/Curriculum for all music classes at PV - purchase by Lisa Martin*
- *Seconded By Sarah Kingrey*
 - *Discussion: Subscription – includes magazine, mp3 audio files and printable music resources. Will be used for all Music classes, plus can be used for Winter Extravaganza*

Result: PASS

With these purchases, the grants and special projects budget is now depleted. PTO will not accept any additional requests for grant money this 2016-17 FY.

FUNDRAISING REPORT: Paige Agidius, Chairperson

❖ Fundraisers

Book Fair – grossed over 12,000, do not have net amount yet. Received great feedback
After school taekwondo – raised about \$825
Popcorn goes directly back to classroom

VOLUNTEER AND PROGRAMMING REPORT: Sarah Kingrey, Chairperson

- ❖ Sarah wanted to acknowledge and thank these volunteers:

Jen Smith – Community Reads

Beckie Selbie – Grandparents Day

Nicole Adams, Rachel Peters, and Sarah Kingrey – Bookfair

Sarah Kingrey and Paige Agidius – Popcorn

- ❖ MoMMA – Art Show scheduled for Thursday, May 11, 6-8 PM – Theme is “Finding Art in Children’s Literature” – Will include Author/Illustrator presentation at 6 PM

OLD BUSINESS: Nicole Adams, President

- ❖ NONE

NEW BUSINESS: Nicole Adams, President

- ❖ Not doing Cookie Dough next year, only APEX fund Run. We cannot sustain the volunteer needs for Cookie Dough. APEX includes both Leadership/Community pieces in their curriculum. Teachers/Staff think this will be a great way to help build PV community at beginning of school year. Dates are scheduled for Sept. 11-22, 2017

- ❖ Nominations for Board Positions – Sarah Green for President, Jessica Folsom for Vice President, Sarah Kingrey for Volunteer Coordinator, Paige Agidius for Fundraising Coordinator, Brynlian Stewart for Co-Treasurer, Cara Spink for Co-Treasurer, Tracy Curtis for Secretary

Principal’s Report: Presented by Alicia Eckman on behalf of Dr. Gonzales

- ❖ CLI – Pennants \$400 donation + Teacher Stipend Funds – See Pennants under Treasurer’s Report

Science/Career Fair – 1 hour longer to add career options for students, colleges and armed forces at the science fair – to add College and Career Readiness

Kids will get a ticket for attending. There will be a drawing for prizes.

Perhaps add Public Library Summer Reading Program – Nicole to contact

- ❖ Kindergarten Lottery this Wednesday, April 12 – 78 spots, 63 siblings already in, 15 spots available for 54 kids in lottery. Families of students selected will be notified by the end of the week. Twins – if one is drawn, then both are in.

- Motion by Cara Spink to adjourn meeting
- Seconded by Sarah Green and Brynlian Stewart

RESULT: PASS

Minutes compiled by: Cara Spink, co-treasurer on behalf of Tracy Curtis, Secretary