WHITTIER PTA MINUTES

April 25, 2017

PTA of Whittier School Downers Grove, IL

The general meeting of the Whittier School PTA was held on April 25, 2017 in the Activity Room. There were 19 people in attendance.

Call to meeting @ 7:05pm.

District Report Card Committee Update – Dr. Jayne Yudzentis, Asst. Supt.

- Changes are in process to the elem and middle school report card formats
- Goals: reflect student achievement, understand communication, quarterly basis, to not be the sole communication between teacher and parent, to not incl student behavior in grades
- Process: reviewed sample cards, parent survey, current learning standards, developed content area report descriptors, revised learner behavior wording
- Next Steps: q of when to begin letter grades (currently 3rd grade), finalize key for academic descriptors, key for learner behaviors, create report card document, create parent communication resources, create teacher resources and prof. development, plan prof. development opportunities for staff, update for BOE meeting on 5/8

Secretary's Report

- Request for min approved from 3/21 meeting. Valerie Hardy motioned to approve, Jen Mielke seconded. Minutes approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

- Copy of current financials available

Guest Speakers – Kindergarten Teachers

- Thank you for "wobble stools" provided by PTA, students love them
- Currently needing another ABC rug for the children, Donors Choose request online (link avail on Miss C's website)
- Zoo Trip
- Egg hatching/chicken unit beginning
- Reading: poetry unit

Co-President's Report

- Thank you to Spring Fundraiser committee (no final numbers on $ raised avail)

- Need committee chairs for 2017/18 year
- Co-Pres Karrie Donat requested vote on incoming co-presidents John Giannelli /Adam Hill, and co-VP's Susan Lorenc and Jen DiCosola. All were approved unanimously.
- Co-Pres Karrie Donat requested vote on proposed budget. Budget approved unanimously.
- Bylaw review – new wording created in bylaw reflecting co-presidents vs. only presidents

Principal's Report

- Open House Thursday 5:30-7pm
- Book Fair Thursday 3-8pm
- Whittier Wear
- Kindergarten will be Fountas & Pinnell assessed this spring
- Teachers can wear casual clothes next week as a sign of sponsorship towards Jaguar Jog water tent
- Registration deadline 5/12 for 2017/18 school year
- Friday, June 9th approved as last day of school, 11:40 dismissal

Committee Report

- Valerie Hardy – Family Fun @ Chipotle 5/3 from 4-8pm, 50% of proceeds to Whittier (location will be the NEW Chipotle on Ogden)
- End-of-year celebration on 6/9 after dismissal will be on school grounds

Meeting Adjourned 7:55pm.

Minutes scribed by Rachel Carrero.