PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION OF WHITTIER SCHOOL
Downers Grove, Illinois
PTA MEETING MINUTES
November 12, 2013

The General Meeting of the Whittier School PTA was held on Tuesday, November 12, 2013, in the Whittier School gym. There were 14 people in attendance.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Minutes were approved from October 2013 meeting.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer's report was distributed and approved.

CO-PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

- Happy to announce that Mrs. Krygeris and Morgan Rosenberg at the School Board Meeting demonstrating the 1:1 iPad.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:

- Mr. Krugman told us about last week's student assemblies. Grades K-3 saw Hi Rez Comes to Earth which a play about inclusion and tolerance. Grades 4-6 saw Cyber Busters which is a play about cyber bullying.
- For the 11/5 Sixth grade parent night covering SEL, there were 25 parents in attendance. They had breakout sessions and discussed what makes 6th grade so special, and what to expect in 7th grade. There will be Part 2 in the winter.
- Upcoming dates:
    - 11/14 Book Fair and Parent/ Teacher conferences
    - 11/15 spirit day
    - 11/20 first grade dress the turkey night
    - 11/21 5th/6th grade music program 9:00 a.m.
    - 11/22 spirit day, fun lunch, kids council
    - 12/6 fun lunch
    - 12/11 holiday hop 3:00 – 3:45
    - 12/12 middle school chamber choir and strings concert
    - 12/12 K-3 Family Reading Night
    - 12/13 spirit day
    - 12/17 PTA meeting
    - 12/20 fun lunch

COMMITTEE UPDATES:

- Book Fair – 11/14 and there is the online book fair until 11/29
- Family Fun Night – 11/21 free event at the Lombard Roller Rink. Please RSVP to evite. Another Round event made $285, and they asked us to do it again.
- Green Team – Waste Free Wednesday is still going. Green Team is looking for a green cause – something concrete for the kids to work towards and accomplish. Taking suggestions.
- Hospitality – will provide dinner for teachers for conferences.
- Jaguar Journal – printing needs, 99 families subscribed at the beginning of the year for $7.50. Increased printing costs will make it actually cost closer to $11 for the year. Andrea will get them printed at Maximum printing to be distributed soon. The list of subscribed families needs to be reviewed and counted with students who work on the journal so an accurate number of copies needed is determined.
- School Directory – completed and being distributed this week.

- Variety show – moved to March 22 at the Tivoli so it doesn't conflict with The Reading Games. Melissa also wants to talk about dates for next year because we don't have to be tied to March or spring. Maybe it will be easier to have it in the fall.
- Website update – Andrea Knudsen showed us what different web providers can do for us as well as prices for those services. magIMPACT can fulfil all the functions we are looking for for $1,000 down and $120/month. We currectly pay $200/year with limited functionality. Features wanted are: calendar, evite/RSVP functionality, volunteer signups, fun lunch, accepting payments, mobile access to directory.
- Whittier Wear – extra items will be sold at the Book Fair.

OLD BUSINESS:
None.

NEW BUSINESS:
None.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.