Garfield Elementary PTA Meeting January 11, 2016

Present: Taylor Meadows, Brendon Chertok, Rebecca Cornelius, Amy McMahan, Margaret Huff, Regina Reeves, Brooke La Fave, Kristen Westlund, Kylie Phillips, Arlen Speights

Called to order at 6:40

Approval of Minutes

Margaret Huff moved to approve the minutes of the November 9 meeting, with corrections regarding coordinator of tutoring (Theresa Finney instead of Jason Finney), and inclusion of our decision not to pursue Haggen as a creditor in its bankruptcy. Regina Reeves seconded; motion was approved.

Financial Report (Amy McMahan)

• All income and expenses were as predicted this month.

Principal's Report (Brendan Chertok)

- Reviewing expectations for conduct in all areas of schools.
- Looking for ways to alter schedule to make recesses and transition times more manageable.
- More sidewalk work will be done.
- Expected changes as a result of new federal laws that replace No Child Left Behind.
- Some questions were raised regarding apparently short lunch durations.

Read-A-Thon (Rebecca Cornelius and Kylie Phillips)

- Rebecca Cornelius is coordinating this year's Read-A-Thon.
- 2 week event: March 11 25, announced at March 4 Life Skills Assembly.
- Awards will be announce on April 1

Pacific Science Center visit (Kylie Phillips)

- Event will be on May 31 and will run all day, including an assembly.
- Volunteers will be needed.

Movie Night (Regina Reeves)

- January 22 movie will be Hotel Transylvania 2
- Lighting control needs to be sorted out.
- There is a new audio system connection.
- A question was raised whether PTA should purchase a new projector system as a gift to the school. Read-A-Thon will be announced "to raise funds for AV equipment in multipurpose room."

Adjourned at 7:40 p.m.