

## Garfield Elementary PTA Meeting April 14, 2016

**Present:** Brendon Chertok, Brooke LaFave, Amy McMahan, Kym Green, Rebecca Cornelius, Kristina Ackley, Kylie Phillips, Erin Rogan, Arlen Speights

### **Called to Order at 6:30**

**Approval of Minutes:** Rebecca Cornelius moved to approve the minutes of the March 14 meeting; Kristina Ackley seconded. The minutes were approved.

**Financial Report (Amy McMahan):** everything is in order and on track.

### **Principal's Report (Brendon Chertok)**

- Some rough estimates for AV projector system: \$600 - 1,000, plus \$1,000 for mounting hardware, and \$1,000 for labor to install it. These are very rough estimates.
- Staffing estimates: after some attrition, GES will hire 8 positions.
- Projected classes are 2 preschools (2 sessions each), 1 DLC, 3 Kindergartens, 4 first grades, 3 second grades, 1 second/third split class, 2 third grades, 2 fourth grades, 1 fourth/fifth split, 2 fifth grades.
- 2 positions will support split classrooms.
- SBE results are in: GES is rated at Very Good level, close to Exemplary. Biggest need is with students who are receiving services.

**Teachers' Report (Brooke LaFave):** things are going well.

### **Book Fair (Kristina Ackley)**

- \$387.00 reading bonus will be given to library.
- Possibly librarians could take on larger role in future; this might introduce complexities with funding
- Next year's schedule for conference week might be available from district.

### **Read-a-Thon (Kylie Phillips and Rebecca Cornelius)**

- 103 participants (down from 202 last year); 64 met grade level goals (down from 121 last year).
- \$1,322.23 raised (down from \$~3,000 last year). Net was \$869.52 after expenses.
- Stronger emphasis may be needed that homework reading counts toward read-a-thon minutes.
- Should next year's read-a-thon happen during summer?
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### **Yearbook (Kylie Phillips)**

- No candid photos have been contributed to secure Flickr account
- Should we forego candid photos this year?
- Brendon Chertok will send an email asking for photo contributions
- Arlen Speights and Kelsey will do layout of candid photos
- Privacy option in start-of-year forms may have been misleading

### **Pacific Science Center visit (Kylie Phillips)**

- Event will be May 31
- Many volunteers are needed
- Cost is \$2,069.

### **2016 - 17 PTA Board**

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- Co-Vice Presidents: Rebecca Cornelius and Regina Reeves

- Secretary: Kristen Westlund
- Treasure: Kylie Phillips
- Bookkeeper: Amy McMahan

**Adjourned at 7:28**