

Kenbrook PTA Meeting Minutes March 2018

Wednesday, March 13, 2018 at 7 PM in the Kenbrook Media Center

Meeting called to order:

(Time not recorded) by President Brandye Cobb

Members present: Not recorded.

Guests present: Not recorded.

Approval of minutes:

Waived reading the minutes of January meeting. Minutes posted on Kenbrook PTA web site.

Announcements:

Milk and cookies for One School One Book Kenbrook night tomorrow.

Breakfast with a Buddy on the 27th. We will be having a picture wall that day where friends and families can get their photos taken together. We have a good response. We need volunteers to help with prep that morning. Look for the sign up genius.

Spring Dance April 26th. This is Kenbrook's 60th year, 60s theme.

The last week of dance ended today.

The 3rd round of knitting is also coming in April.

We are having our first ever variety show extravaganza. May 23 (rehearsal) May 24 (show). April 18 from 3:30 – 7:30 is show and share (to determine order and number of participants). We will have a videographer. (4th or) 5th graders could be emcees?

Distinguished awards given out two weeks ago for volunteers in the school: Danielle Ohm and Kathleen Clark. Both ladies have given hours of tireless service to the school and we thank them for that.

Zap Zone (March 22). \$20 for a bracelet that gives the wearer unlimited glo-golf, laser tag and bumper cars. Pay in advance and be in a raffle for 100 tokens or pay at the door.

March 19 – Farmington Library One School One Book night for Kenbrook.

Book Fair – May 8 – 10 BOGO (Buy One Get One Free). We do three book fairs so we can get the BOGO fair. Stock up for summer.

Flower Sale coming up.

Teacher Appreciation Week – daily themes to do special things for teachers and staff.

Reflections: Cooper Marvin won at the state level and Adele Wisniewski won at the Farmington district level, Ella Lindenberg is moving on to national level. Jenelle Safrey was district level too.

Business:

Budget expense. We would like to help with the bus fees for field trips for the rest of the year. Request for approval. Approval given.

Budget/Discretionary fund discussion: \$1,200 spent since January. What was that for? iPads, Spelling Bee, winter gear, license for showing movies, books for book clubs (1st and 5th), membership competition winner \$250 for class. Cushion of approx. \$7,000 needed "in the bank" to start the next school year. The rest of the PTA money should be spent if possible!

We need a social media coordinator to manage the web site and the Facebook page. Danielle Ohm accepted the role.

Publishing Center discussion: Kathy has done awesome typed stories for every kid in every grade every year, but she may be stepping down from the publishing center this year. Danielle Ohm proposed shifting that to a digital storytelling element to make movies and engage a different set of creative skills. We have stop motion animation software on all the iPads. We need to train a few parents who can meet with students a few at a time and work with them while they create their movies. Right now kids are not really involved in the process – not even with the older kids typing the words or anything. Can we simplify or try new things? Perhaps phasing in new methods while continuing the existing with younger kids? Maybe keeping the current Kindergarten hard-cover project (have 5th graders interview and type??) and convert the rest to digital formats? Lots to think about moving forward.

Teacher Remarks: When do we need to have PTA money spent? Perhaps by May 1?

PTA is going to solicit volunteers to help teachers and staff pack up their stuff (K, 1, 2), but it's tricky because there isn't any place to put stuff til the last minute. Maybe get climate controlled storage for the summer – how large and how climate controlled? To be discussed.

Nominations for open positions: President (Brandye Cobb, Jennifer Williams), Secretary (Jamie Hobart). Ballot elections on April 11 PTA Meeting. Who can vote? Any PTA Member.

Roundtable discussion: None.

Items to be held over: None.

New business: None.

Next meeting date and time:

Wednesday, April 11 at 7 PM in the Kenbrook Media Center

Meeting adjourned:

(Time not recorded) by President Brandye Cobb