



MINUTES

Lakeway Elementary PTO Minutes

April 4, 2019

In Attendance

Lacey Moler, Stephanie Bell, Leslie Kempler, Kristin Kenaston, Paula Draughn, Mallory Addison, Tinny Widjaja, Sam Hicks, Vanessa Malone, Torie Pearce, Ann Mitchell, Heather Davis, Mallory Addison, Erika Finch, Matt Godsey, Laura Pavlas

- I. The meeting was called to order by Lacey Moler at 7:52 AM.
- II. MEETING MINUTES APPROVAL – The March 2019 minutes were presented, and a motion was made by Stephanie Bell to approve. Paula Draughn seconded the motion and the motion was approved.
- III. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT – Sam Hicks
 - 3/4/5 Pick-Up Policy – it was getting too dangerous so policy changes were needed. We now ask that 3/4/5 parents (even those with K/1/2 siblings) use the upper lot. Siblings will grab their younger siblings and then wait in the kinder hallway. Emmaus and Mr. Hicks asks that parents not use Emmaus and a walker designation to pick up kids over there.
 - Pioneer Day is April 12th. This was listed as a STAAR testing day but parents may attend. If STAAR make ups are needed, they will be administered in a separate area.
 - Great turn out on Tuesday to discuss the redistricting. There is another meeting tonight. Both options change the boundaries for Lakeway. The negative of both plans is that we lose a neighborhood (Falconhead) and half of our board members. The general opinion seems to be that Option A is more preferred, but the board has the final decision and may not choose the options as listed. The other neighborhood under discussion is Flintrock Falls. We will know in May what the final outcome will be, including what the grandfathering clause will be.
 - 5th Grade is getting crunched this year as STAAR test days have been moved back. There is a lot in May and we may need to drop something.
 - Mr. Hicks is excited about Texas Reads One Book. It is at a third grade reading level, but it is good for even bigger kids to sit down together as a family and read.
 - More money was raised this year than was budgeted. The board and Mr. Hicks are discussing how to use the money, including the consideration that we may not raise as much next year due to the redistricting. If fundraising is lower, we will have to remove some of our budgeted items. Mr. Hicks will proactively plan for this by identifying things that can be cut if needed that effect students the least. Lacey also clarified that as a practice we over estimate expenses and under estimate income. This ensures that all of the expenses are covered and then the pad/cushion can be used for other special projects.
 - When the high school was having issues and there was discussion of a lockdown. Lakeway Elementary was not placed on a soft lock down. Mr. Hicks asked the

teachers to stay in side due to weather and the nervousness because of the high school activities. Disciplinary action was taken at the high school.

IV. Teacher's Report – Vanessa Malone

- SPED Update (Matt Godsey and Lori Driggers)
 - Thank you to the PTO! Yesterday we celebrated PARA appreciation day. Thank you to the PTO for making the PARAs feel included.
 - Thank you to the PTO for the books provided for the reading intervention program.
- Coach Judson
 - The running club is going great. Several students will meet their goal of running a ½ marathon since the semester started.
- Library
 - Over 100 new books were purchased for the library and \$3,000 in cash was raised through the book fair. Thank you to everyone who shopped!
 - Library will be closed during STAAR. Students can still trade in books.
 - A wall-mounted screen will be installed. Shelves are being reorganized to make room, so please be patient with the clutter as we re-organize.
 - Texas Reads One Book starts on Friday. Kids will get a mini squishy for selfies and will be invited to a wild animal show for completing reading logs.
- 3rd Grade
 - Ecosystem projects are being started in the hallways. Stop by to see them! When completed, there will be a field trip to the Galleria to see Penguins.
- 4th Grade
 - Writing STAAR test is April 9th.
- 5th Grade
 - STAAR testing days: April 9th and 10th
 - Thank you for supplying the silly string for Lexia completers.
 - Egg hunt with our kinder buddies is on April 18th.

V. FINANCIAL UPDATE & WISH LISTS – Paula Draughn

- Paula met yesterday with Val (Mr. Hick's assistant) and is working on the 2019-2020 budget. President/Treasurer and admin staff (Mr. Hicks and Val) have been meeting to build the budget for next year. The budget will be approved by the board and brought to the May General Meeting.
 - April TEACHER WISH LIST for General PTO Approval
 - All Grades – AP, Stephanie Budai
 - \$203.99 – Door Magnets for school lockdown security.
 - 3rd Grade – Alison Brown
 - \$805.00 – Tiny Tails to You – Traveling Petting Zoo
 - 3rd Grade – Julie Jistel
 - \$566.23 – Reimbursement for 3 nights of hotel during the GYTO Conference in DFW.
 - 4th Grade – Stephanie Williams
 - \$191.76 – Set of Books, James and the Giant Peach, for literature circles
- ***All Items will fit into the Approved Budget***

Motion to approve by (B) Kristin Kenaston and seconded by (S) Mallory Addison. All in attendance confirmed their agreement. No opposed.

VI. Kinder 101 Update – Mallory Addison

- We are so excited to welcome our new kinder families. 60 new students are currently registered.
- Kinder 101 is April 16th at 8:30 AM. This year we are starting with a scavenger hunt until 9:15 AM. The scavenger hunt will be self-guided through 6 locations. Everyone will also get a special prize.
- Plan for some additional time to get registered in the security system for new families.
- There will be kids activities for incoming kindergartners. Younger siblings will need to stay with parents.

VII. Father Daughter Dance – Stephanie Bell

- Thank you to Melanie for all of the graphics and flyers! Melanie donates her time to the school to create all of these for us, including the dance flyer.
- Thank you to Heather and Kristen, the committee chairs!
- Thank you to Pigtails and Crew Cuts, Sprinkles, and HEB for donations/sponsoring!
- Corsage orders are closed but there are a few extra that can be purchased at the door.
- 400 people registered so far.
- Thanks to the money raised by PTO, these events are all free to Lakeway families.

VIII. Mother Son Kickball – Jessica Romero

- April 12th
- Pizza and Smoothie King provided; nothing needs to be purchased this year.
- Sing Orthodontics is sponsoring the event – thank you Sing!
- Volunteers are needed for referees. This is a great job for Dads! Email carolyn_hall@hotmail.com for volunteer information.

IX. 2019-2020 Board Elections – Stephanie Bell

- Thank you to the current board, and special thanks to Lacey for her two years of service as President.
- The nominations are:
 - President - Kristin Kenaston
 - Vice President - Jessica Romero
 - Grade Level Coordinator - Leslie Kempler
 - Campus Coordinator - Greg Van de Putte
 - Sponsorship - Heather Davis
 - Community Relations - Ann Mitchell
 - Treasurer - Paula Draughn
 - Volunteer Coordinator - Erica Finch
 - Secretary - Torie Pierce

- Motion to approve by Lacey Moler. Seconded by Tinny Widjaja. No opposed, and the new board was approved. Next month is the transition month.
- Thank you to Stephanie as well for all of her hard work!

X. Announcements

- Upcoming Dates
 - Father/Daughter Dance April 5, 2019
 - Mother/Son Kickball April 12, 2019
 - Kinder 101 April 16, 2019
 - Bad Weather Make-Up Day (if needed) April 19, 2019
 - PTO General Meeting May 2, 2019
 - Last Day of School May 24, 2019

The meeting was adjourned at 8:29 AM.