

# PTA Meeting Minutes

March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2016

PTA officers present: Kirsten Bruder, Cristina Battaglia, Nicole Giehll, Lori Unice, Carol Rossetti  
and Maria Stefanov

Meeting called to order: 9:02 am

Approval of minutes – approved Kirsten Bruder/Cristina Battaglia

Correspondence - none

President Report:

Summary of PTA council meeting = last day of school is June 10<sup>th</sup> and first day of school is August 29<sup>th</sup>

Mt. Lebo Police collecting drugs at paramedic center on April 30<sup>th</sup>

Teen Outreach gala is April 26<sup>th</sup>

STEAM Showcase was well attended and kids loved it. Follow up event is set for April 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Vice President - Cristina Battaglia = nothing to add

Nicole Giehll – Bookfair well attended/great event along with STEAM event.

Thank you to PTA for materials for make your space

Treasurer: Maria Stefanov gave budget review of expenses and current funds/gains from box tops and amazon smile.

Historian: Lori Unice asked that committee chairs turn in reports/blue folders. Julie Smith mentioned committee report forms are on line.

Committee Reports:

Book Fair – Kirsten Bruder said it went well

Carnival – Laura Yaremcho trying to get live animals. Ms.Giehll looking into approval. Take place March 15<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 pm to 8 pm. Laura mentioned kids are finishing projects and 5<sup>th</sup> grade parents/volunteers and donations are needed (water bottles). Penguin Patch will be sending stuff too.

International Night – Kirsten Bruder said 12 countries will be represented in the cafeteria and theme is World Peace. April 28<sup>th</sup>. Julie Maselko mentioned grant for \$500 is available – have to apply for it. Nandini Mandal asked if it could be used for Cultural Events but Julie Smith confirmed its for International Night but could try to apply for it.

5k – Julie Smith said registration is up and sponsors are confirmed for June 4<sup>th</sup> event. Have own website.

Picture Day – Carol proposed TSS and said they would give free 5x7 class photos if we use them again. PTA approved. Carol requested that additional parent volunteers be on hand to help out though. Ms. Giehll will confirm a date for Hoover Picture day.

Breakfast with Someone Special – Caro I Rossetti reviewed proposed menu (approved) and hopefully paper products in PTA closet will be available for use.

Painting Playground – Carol Rossetti hopes to do it in May. Would like to see if Mr. Hain can do a Hoover signage on playground.

Old Business: Kirsten Bruder had none.

New Business: Kirsten Bruder listed the election of officers as:

Cristina Battaglia – President	Ann Werzyn - Vice President
Lori Unice – Historian	Carol Rossetti – Secretary
No one opposed – and passed	
Installation and training in April.	

#### 2016 – 2017 Budget Review

Maria Stefanov suggested both the old and new budget be posted on line.

Kirsten Bruder open floor to questions and will vote on budget in May.

Shannon Harpst – (Behalf of Sharon McGill) Book fair revenue should be \$450 and not \$750

Cristina Battaglia may set up another Spirit Night before end of school year.

Kara Trant suggested Moe's but Cristina said they require you to sell tickets.

Laura Yaremcho suggested Chic Fillet because of easy set up but don't make a lot of money from it.

Kirsten Bruder added that if we don't need to financially we should not do fundraising.

Kirsten Bruder would like to change from Constant Contact to My School Anywhere software.

Julie Maselko added that Paypal expenses should be listed under membership fees and Maria will make that change.

PTA recognition removed and students will send thank you cards/pictures to PTA chairs for their help with events.

Maria added that Cultural Arts was increased this year and next year the cost will probably increase again.

Kirsten Bruder added that we do one event in the morning and another in the afternoon so that all students are impacted by the events.

Maria added breakdown of field trips. Kara Trant mentioned no field trip for 4<sup>th</sup> grade. Kirsten Bruder said they go to Heinz Hall. Ms. Giehll will look into doing another field trip for that grade. Kirsten added 4<sup>th</sup> grade participates in bigger projects than go on field trips.

Maria added 5<sup>th</sup> grade activities would stay the same. Julie Smith said Hoover pays the most for 5<sup>th</sup> grade activities out of all the schools and it could come into question.

Maria added \$30 to Holiday shop and \$20 to Picture Day along with increase to Holiday Classroom parties.

Cristina Battaglia added that PTA membership would go up to \$16 individual and \$30 for families.

Julie Maselko said that cost would have to be the same for both according to bylaws - \$16 individuals and double that amount for families.

Maria discussed rotating funds used for Library Resource. Cristina Battaglia added that funds would be rotated between the encore subjects and music would get it next year.

Kirsten Bruder mentioned the music fund goes towards purchasing instruments.

Shannon Harpst asked why the increase for Odyssey of the Mind and Maria said it was for the registration fee and materials used and we currently did not have it this year so money went towards Cultural Arts but we do have

a committee chair for it in the fall.

Maria said Teachers Resource Fund was increased. Ms. Giehl added that there are 17 teachers homebased at Hoover and they would have \$25 to spend.

Maria went on to Reflections being decreased, Spelling Bee increased and Special Programs increased due to fees and projects.

Maria would like to set up a reserve fund from anywhere to \$500 to \$1,000 to cover any additional expenses.

Cristina Battaglia added that we may add some fundraisers to next year.

Year books –

Cristina Battaglia proposed yearbooks for the entire school at the expense of the parents.

Option of buying black and white or colored. Parents can choose to buy or not to buy. Not expense to the PTA although a PTA member may need to organize this and suggested that homeroom coordinators designate a photographer to take pictures at events to submit to yearbook. This would be for next school year.

Meeting adjourned at 10:35 am.