

Wilson PTG
Meeting Minutes
April 10, 2018

Call to Order – 7:04 p.m., Josie Dix

February Minutes – Alex. Evans

- Still have open issue of auction money
- Alex. Evans moved to approve minutes. Carly Howarth 2nd. ALL in favor.

Treasurers Report – Josie Dix in Zack's absence

- Box Tops check - \$166
- Family night out (Carusos) - \$110
- Auction summary updated – money held back from PayPal has been transferred to account
- No need to approve budget

Family Directory – Hilary Kozel

- Getting on it!
- Should we think about not doing a directory, or an abbreviated version?
- Idea to have the prior year's directory at Pizza in the Park for people to change or edit their contact info. Maybe Meghan McLaughlin could do this at the event.
- Let's try to do something this year!

PTG Survey – Alex. Evans

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Request from Student Council – Josie Dix

- Fundraiser for Ronald McDonald House
- We are at fundraiser saturation
- But sweet that they care – good to encourage this work
- Josie: The PTG execs have decided to match student fundraising efforts up to \$200

STEM Science Night – Josie Dix on behalf of Amanda Helms and Janae Passinetti

- This is coming on June 1!
- More information in April Newsletter
- Will create a sign-up genius for volunteers

Book Bingo – Josie Dix

- Meghan McLaughlin was chair, did great!
- Fun and successful

Hanging Plant Sale – Josie Dix on behalf of Russ Branham

- It's a go!
- Pick-up is Friday before Mother's Day at school

Carnival – Josie Dix

- Family event – April 27
- Still needs volunteers!!!
- Only doing 5 volunteer buckets – trying something new – shift work
- Some people like to know what they are going to be doing
- Helpful to have sign-ups at parent-teacher conferences – maybe a table at the door
- TELL EVERYONE YOU TALK TO TO SIGN-UP TO VOLUNTEER!
- This year will amend the sign-up genius to list out groups of types of games
- Will send a

World Language Program –

- Starts next week
- Need a new chair! Jill Ayala has moved, but is graciously still doing this.
- Need a volunteer for T, W, Th

CAC – Hilary Kozel

- District will help find talent/staff and some materials if we want to do after school programs – like STEM. We would need to fund.
- April's meeting in next week

Principal's Report – Tony Ressa

- Testing coming up again
- Last year's test scores were very impressive
- Great job teachers, parents, and kids!

Other Notes

- Nominations for next year's PTG officers at May's meeting
- Final PTG meeting – JUNE 5! – PTG elections
- Scholarship applications in the works – Hilary Kozel
- Teacher appreciation – Hilary Kozel – May 4th. Will be sending out a sign-up genius for volunteers
- Box Tops – Kristen – May classroom contest – will do popsicles for winning class
- Pancake Feed – Evans-Andrews chair, June 14th
- Spokane Indians Summer Nights – June 16th and July 25th

Adjourned – 8:04 p.m., Josie Dix



CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CAC) MEETING March 12, 2018

EXTRA CURRICULAR OPTIONS

Spokane Public Schools (SPS) is working to strengthen the Pre-K to Grade 12 pathway and expand after school STEM and athletic programs that are free or limited in cost.

Their intention is to remove obstacles such as income level and transportation so every child can participate in extra-curricular options. The goal is to create a pathway for all kids in their future education and career possibilities. SPS administrators want to help schools in finding and training individuals to lead after-school and summer programs like robotics and coding. Often teachers in a school are the only option, which can result in burnout.

5th and 6th Grade Basketball and K-6 Cross Country through Active 4 Youth have been successful programs meant to focus on developmental skills to provide interest, exposure and self-confidence.

2018 Summer STEM schedule will soon be rolled out and has been a very successful program. Percentage of girls involved has increased each year.

After School STEM programs: www.spokaneschools.org/afterschool

Summer STEM programs: www.spokaneschools.org/summerstemcamps

Active 4 Youth: www.active4youth.org

ASSESSMENTS AND HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Changes are being made to high school graduation requirements and assessments leading up to graduation to provide adequate readiness for college and career.

Elementary Schools: Emphasis on Technical, 2-Year or 4-Year degrees

Middle Schools: Long-term goal contemplation during student-led conference times.

High Schools: Expansion of courses satisfying more than one category to help students determine which classes will fulfill requirements. High School students are required to develop an educational goal, a 4-year course plan that aligns with goals and complete a resume or activity log of education, work and community service experience.

SPOKANE VIRTUAL LEARNING (SVL)

SVL is a web-based educational program through SPS to provide comprehensive and interactive instructor-led online courses to students. Most students who use SVL are in high school and use for 1-2 classes to fulfill requirements. Middle school options are also available when a child wishes to take more than one elective yet still need to fulfill basic requirements.

SVL has grown each year over the past 12 years with great success and has lost only a small percentage to profit-based online educational programs. SVL in Spokane has served as a role model for other school districts in the Northwest such as Seattle and Portland, who have greater numbers leave their web-based learning for for-profit programs. SVL adheres to rigorous international online learning standards (iNACOL) and is adept in oversight for student success.

For more information: spokanevirtual.com

