

Creston School PTA

Meeting Minutes

October 9, 2018

Opening

The regular meeting of the Creston School PTA was called to order at 6:18 pm on October 9, 2018 by President Abby Nilsen-Kirby. Abby welcomed and provided board member introductions.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were unanimously approved as distributed. Meeting minutes were filed with no corrections.

Reports

- **Treasurer's Report:** Aram Babasin- Nothing to report as Treasurer transition was just completed.
- **Membership Update:** Molly O'Neil- PTA has 64 members thus far. Molly available for questions if you have them.
- **Auction Update:** Keely Montgomery- Keely wasn't present so Abby provided the update. District East. Thoughts or ideas about the auction, contact Keely at auctioncoordinator@crestonschoolpta.org
- **President's Report:** Abby Nilsen-Kirby- 6:25 pm, Abby reports on attending National PTA Convention and being able to connect to the mission of PTA in a way that made her appreciate moving the PTA in a direction to touch every student and get back to a mission centered focus. Abby announces the PTA Connected Digital Families Event that Creston PTA will be piloting for National PTA. Creston Playground Community Meeting on Thursday, November 8th 6:30-8:00 pm. Meeting to focus on project update and timeline. The project is estimated to be finished in the summer of 2019.

Open Issues:

- **2018/2019 PTA Standing Rules (6:30 pm):** presented by Abby Nilsen-Kirby, reviewed and passed unanimously (6:30 pm).
- **2018/2019 Budget (6:36 pm):** Elena asked why the Restricted/Carryover Funds for Reflections and School Beautification is blank and Abby will look into that, as she knows that there were remaining funds last year.
 - The 2018-2019 Budget was presented and passed with the following amendments:
 1. The Creston Dental Clinic Donation line item will be removed as the Clinic is closing in November. Motion brought forward by Lisa Kensel and seconded by Lauren Held. Motion passes.
 2. Addition of a line item for \$250 to the 2018-2019 budget for the 8th grade party at the end of the school year. Motion brought forward by Lisa Kensel and seconded by Molly O'Neill. Motion passes.

3. Addition of line item for \$250 in supplies needed to create a Kindness Rock Garden. Motion brought forward by Laureen Held and seconded by Bridget Roth. Motion passes.
4. Addition of the following line items in the 2018-2019 budget. Motion brought forward by Lisa Kensel and seconded by Molly O'Neill. Motion passes.
 - a. Addition of line item for \$250 for Band
 - b. Increase PE line item to \$500
 - c. Increase Reading Garden line item to \$500
 - d. Increase TAG line item to \$500
5. Increase of classroom funds for each teacher. New amount is \$200. Motion proposed by Emily Graves and seconded by Bridget Roth. Motion passes.
6. Increase of Band line item to a total of \$500 and decrease of the PE line item from \$500 to \$300. Motion proposed by Lisa Kensel and seconded by Molly O'Neill. Motion passes.

Principal's Update Angelica Cruz (7:44 pm):

Writing Goals: Staff are implementing professional writing goals this year and communication will come home about writing goals for the year and how parents can support their student.

School Safety: PPS is aware that there are safety concerns within the district and will be moving forward with some improvements at all schools using some of the Bond money that has been allocated for security upgrades. Currently we've had two school lockouts this year for caution. Principal Cruz is vigilant with safety and keeping the students safe when there are questioning people in or around the building.

Drop-off and Pick-up Safety: Melissa Babasin will be working with Principal Cruz on ways to address unsafe conditions for students.

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 7:55 pm by Abby Nilsen-Kirby. The next general meeting will be at 6:00 pm on 1/8/19, in the Creston Library.

Meeting Minutes respectfully submitted by Lisa Kensel, substitute PTA Secretary.