

Westridge PTA February minutes  
March 4, 2022

Members present: Alissa Clark, Rebecca Reid Eschete, Amy Seidelman, Katie Asplund (telephone), Hallie Wemmie, Sally Crowley, Suchitra Sinha, Emily Mayfield

Call to order: Meeting called to order at 9:17 am by Rebecca Reid Eschete.

- Principal's report: Mrs. Brewer is not here today but provided the following update:
  - Spring parent-teacher conferences have wrapped up and teachers really appreciated dinner provided to them.
  - 6<sup>th</sup> grade band solo competitions have started and she is really proud of the students performing
  - 5<sup>th</sup> grade wax museum has started and are doing a great job! They have shared with the 4<sup>th</sup> grade students and families have also been invited to come.
  - March 29 is spring picture day, more info to come
  - New classrooms are looking great! At the April PTA meeting attendees will be able to take a look!
  - Play performances and a book fair coming this Spring
- Teacher's report: Jillian Roberts not here today but an update was provided by Rebecca:
  - Mrs. Robbins offers thanks for the dinners and teachers loved sharing successes of the kids with families at the conferences. There is a lot of buzz around the school about the upcoming play and kids are very excited.
- Secretary's report: February meeting notes submitted. Alissa moves to approve and this motion is seconded. Minutes are approved.
- Treasurer's report: Katie is participating by phone today. It has been a quiet month for budget related matters. There has been some clarification on field trip coverage regarding who covers different costs so we may need to address field trip budget at next meeting.
- Other current business:
  - Hospitality update: Alissa shares that we had two conference dinners provided during Spring conferences despite some weather-related challenges! Teacher Appreciation week in early May there are plans for a few teacher breakfasts/lunches that week.
  - School play update: 126 kids wanted to join this year! This is great news but also offers a challenge at times. They wanted to make sure everyone who applied could join in some capacity. So much excitement is circulating in the school. Thankful to Mrs. Brewer for her dedication to making the play happen this year. Regarding concession sales during the play – The Lighthouse Team and Mrs. Miller would typically run this but this year Mrs. Miller will be out of town and there is question as to if anyone is counting on these funds? Are there things needed that Mrs. Leopold could identify? If so – maybe concessions are a good idea to set up.
  - Book fair update: subject to change but probably will run on Sat. April 9 (with set up 4/7, preview 4/8) in conjunction with the school play. This will be smaller

scale than a regular book fair but plans to allow parents in some type of limited capacity. Kids will visit during school week. Emily will check in regarding this as the play uses the library space too.

- Discussion of committees for next year: need volunteers! Please email Rebecca if interested. Will be discussed more at April meeting.
- Upcoming PTA meetings: April 7 held outdoors at Westridge – hoping this can increase turnout! Will be able to get tour of new classrooms and will need high numbers because there will be voting that day.
- Spring dates:
  - Field Day is back and scheduled for May 27 (with a rain date of May 31.)
    - Brooke Nelson has historically arranged for snow cones
    - This is run by 6<sup>th</sup> grade and Mr. Chapman and needs to take into account a smaller field size available this year
  - There will be a 4<sup>th</sup> grade bike ride in May
  - 6<sup>th</sup> grade track dates are also set
- Important dates/Upcoming activities:
  - March 11 – no school for kids, professional development day
  - March 14-18 – no school, Spring Break
  - April 7 – PTA meeting outdoors @Westridge 9:15 am
  - April 29 – no school, professional development day

Without objection, Becky adjourns the meeting at 9:42.