

Sangster PTA Meeting – Feb. 6, 2014

The meeting was called to order at 7:08 p.m. by President Linda Whitestone. There were 11 people in attendance.

Minutes Review

The January minutes were approved on a voice vote.

Principal's Update

- Sra. Butler retired last Friday. Ruth Sands is our new FLES teacher.
- Celebrate Calm has been rescheduled for Monday, March 3 from 7-9 p.m. at Irving. There will also be a Tuesday morning program at Sydenstricker Methodist.
- Feb. 11 -- LB middle school band performs for grades 4-6
- Feb 18-20 -- AAP local screening
- Feb. 19 -- 5th grade goes to see Seussical
- Feb. 20 -- 4th grade to NSO, 6th grade to Irving to visit, LB counselors will come here to talk with 6th graders
- Feb. 21 -- Jump Rope For Fun after school

- School improvement plan -- will be uploaded to the web site.

Assistant Principal's Report

- Discussed the various reading and math tier assessments and talked about current levels, end-of-year goals and current assessments. We will be putting it on the web site.
- About to have another school-wide reward -- Board Game Day - tentatively scheduled for Feb. 17
- SOL dates -- March 18, 19 -- writing SOL for 5th grade. May 12-June 6 is the SOL window. Beginning of March, will send out full SOL schedule.
- Feb. 17 will run a Tuesday schedule

Business Matters

- OHECA Liaison -- Orange Hunt community has asked if anyone with PTA would like to be a liaison. If you know someone, email Linda Whitestone.
- Math Counts program -- Finished as the top team in the George Washington chapter of a recent tournament. Congrats! Now they are looking for a parent of a 5th grader to take over the program next year, please contact Linda.
- Feb. 13 -- Valentine Bingo, 7-8, \$5 for unlimited cards per person
- Ledo's Pizza Day -- March 24-25.
- Time to start organizing for next year's PTA. Juliet Johnson will be heading the nominating committee. Contact Linda or Juliet if you would be interested in running. The slate will be presented in April.

Treasurer's Report

- The checking account balance as of Jan. 31 was \$66,822.15
- Gina discussed the proposed amendments for fiscal 2013/14.
- Plan is to buy 10 more iPads per staff request. Purchased new Ziggis and projectors, and broadcast has requested some updates to their equipment. We are going to fund the full amount of the dome, instead of just half.

- A motion was brought to approve the budget amendments. The motion was approved on a voice vote. Broadcast switcher; Dome theater; Mac books, ipads warranty and cart -- these items are over \$1,000 and required a voice vote. A motion was made to approve these individual items. The motion was approved on a voice vote

Committee Reports

- Joyce is still looking for a co-chair for the fun fair, which is set for April 25.
- Denise still needs a volunteer to take over Volunteer Coordinator.
- MSG -- encouraging people to come out to Ft. Belvoir to donate blood.
- Alisa -- Reflections -- FFCPTA announced that we had several first place winners who will go on to compete -- winners will be listed in the newsletter.
- National School Counselor week is this week.
- Valentine Dessert Extravaganza -- if you are interested in participating, please e-mail Robyn. Friday, Feb. 14, 10-3.
- Feb. 24-28 -- Custodian appreciation week
- Valentines bingo -- Feb. 13

Meeting was adjourned at 8:05.