

PTA Meeting 2.13.24

6:30pm Turtle Lake Elementary

Attendance-16 in attendance which includes 10 members in attendance.

Treasurer's Report- Reviewed our current operational budget as well as our current fundraising status.

School Board Update: Heidi Danielson (Liaison and board member) attended today. She shared that the 2025/2026 calendar was recently approved. They were able to approve a couple of additional religious holidays and the last contract for the upcoming year. Summer catalog through community education should be coming to us soon. Continue to make progress for Career and College plans for high school students.

Principal Report: Making plans for next year. Working on connectedness and reported progress at recent district meeting. Continuing to read in classrooms. Professional development days to learn more about math fluency.

Teacher & Staff Updates:

Grade Level updates: Parent communication nights are coming up this week. 5th graders working toward reading goals and working on book clubs. Chippewa deans visit recently. March 21 field trip coming up. 2nd Grade working on fact fluency and deepening love of reading.

Specialist Updates:

Music: Kids have been working on 6/8 time signature, ukuleles, music appreciation, opera assembly.

Library: 45,000 book checkouts so far this year. Huge thank you for classroom enrichment money.

Art: Working with clay. Weaving coming up.

Physical Education: Ninja warrior course and mission impossible game in January. After doing further research on the previously discussed projector, we have decided it is too out of reach financially so this is now on pause. The other idea we have discussed at previous meetings is the idea of bringing rollerblades back to the school. In previous years they have been rented out but they are now looking at options to purchase them. They gave quotes for different scenarios of funding needed for this depending on how many grades will be participating.

Votes

Special Funding Request- 5th Grade for blanket materials needed to make blankets for Children's Hospital. This would be the second year they would be doing this. \$3k would be the estimated cost for materials. We voted and had 10 in favor to approve this. We also discussed adding this in our budget in the future as a set cost.

Any reallocation of funds- Art is looking for a large-scale paper cutter to help with the volume of paper secured at the annual paper drive. This paper cutter would help reduce the time involved

in cutting paper for art school wide. The estimated cost is \$2170. The motion for the paper cutter was approved for this special funding request by all members.

Skates-Variou options from physical education. There was a motion to vote today to approve the skates. It was a tie vote. This will be discussed again in the next PTA meeting.

Book Fair: We allocated \$ as scholastic dollars so this could go back to the teachers. The next book fair will be in April.

Family Enrichment/Culture Night: We would love to get this going in April. We are looking for volunteers to head this up.

Kindergarten Liaison: Communication nights and book fair. We are looking to put together a Snail Lake PTO.

Read-A-Thon: In progress

New Business

Establishment of Nominating & Governance Committee: We are looking for 3 people to help with getting nominations together for the next year's officers whose term is up for re-election for the April 15th meeting. Ana Cantell, Elizabeth Ryan, Jen Hopp have volunteered.

Reallocation of Projector Funds: We discussed two scenarios of how to reallocate the \$1500 raised at the fun run in the fall. Lynette is going to look into this with the state PTA

Announcements

Teacher Appreciation week in May

No School Feb 19

Spring Break 11-15

Yearbook orders due April 5th

Next meeting date: Monday, April 15th