



Little Cedars PTA General Meeting

November 13, 2019

Board Members

<i>President</i>	Emily Walker	<i>Co-VP Communication</i>	Kimi Guichard
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<i>VP Watchdogs</i>	Pete Keating	<i>Advocacy Chair</i>	Stephanie Ridley

Minutes prepared by: Jennifer Shepherd

Discuss adding a January general meeting or change the standing rules so we can elect a nominating committee.

Secretary:

Approve September meeting minutes: **Motion to approve by Stephanie , second by Gina Detlor. Motion approved.**

Treasurer:

Review Treasurer Report. Added \$100 for food handlers permit; anyone who applied for this can seek reimbursement. Next report will reflect extra money for Grandparents Day budget. Discussed expense for Fall Dance going over last year’s spend, but since income was more than the expense, we don’t need to adjust.

Discuss insurance coverage: annual insurance is \$650. \$70 to add media endorsement of \$25,000. This would protect us in case we use a photo, logo, confidential information or similar that is not approved by owner. **Motion to approve by Andrea. Second by Jennifer. Motion passed.**

Discuss Terrorist coverage: Additional 5% or \$100 minimum. Would protect us in case of liability due to terrorism. Membership did not object to decline this coverage.

Dance Man contract: He is retiring, so next fall would be our last chance to take advantage. Discussed his open dates. Membership decided mid-October with dance on October 16 would be the best way to avoid conflicts with conferences, holidays. Need to vote on this as a membership so we can sign the contract (given we are committing next year’s board). **Motion to approve signing Dance Man contract for 2020 school year by Andrea. Second by Stephanie. Motion approved.**

Erica Farmer from Yes! Snohomish:

Vote is in February. Erica is advocating for a \$470M bond to raise money to rebuild 6 schools in our district. She discussed pain points at these older schools which would be replaced with buildings with a 70 year life span. Yes! Snohomish is the name of the campaign to raise \$50,000 for advertising. Social media advertising, printed materials, consultant, etc. \$40,000 of \$50,000 has been raised already.

Stephanie motioned for the LCE PTA to endorse a yes vote on the 2020 Capital Bond. Second by Lauren. Motion passed.

Membership discussed how much money the LCE PTA is comfortable contributing to the lobbying group. Average PTAs are giving \$500. **Motion to contribute \$1,000 to the Yes! Snohomish campaign by Lauren and second by Heather. Motion approved.**

President:

Discuss mid-year financial review: Jennifer Butler, Gina Detlor, Stephanie Ridley and Angie Loth will do this.

Program Updates:

We have a Lego Club! Discussing every other Monday and may start December 2. 3 parents are sharing the chair duty. Andrea discussed that since this fills up so quickly, we should advertise the sign up date ASAP. There will only be one session. Discussed number to enroll and location. Emily discussed 24 each group in each location.

Science Materials: Science closet contains supplies for Mystery Science. Will need to buy missing components. Chairs will get feedback from teachers to determine game plan and best dates to start. May roll out in December.

Reflections: Posters are up in each classroom. Need to enroll by December 12. Emily trying to get enrollment online made available.

Art: Need 2 art docents.

Events:

Grandparents Day and Pizza Night/Skate Deck is next. Mrs. Graves discussed that we will have maps of the classrooms for Grandparents Day. Teachers will do the decorating. PTA does clean up. 2 volunteers, need more. Lauren will try to secure some Watchdogs. Lauren will change up the food menu as Grandparents didn't want cookies last year.

Winter Event: Need volunteers!!! Can repeat Gingerbread, a variation on that (mini bun cakes), doing a service activity. Could add a movie as well. Membership made a decision to do bag decorating plus movie for the event. Would include hot chocolate and popcorn. Will run a sign-up genius for volunteers. Volunteers can register so the PTA can get Disneyland tickets as an auction item.

Mr. D. Updates:

Mr. D introduced teachers. Thank you for joining the PTA meeting! Planning 6th grade camp. Mrs. Graves thanked PTA for dinners during conferences. Mr D discussed bringing a frozen turkey for all the bus drivers for staff appreciation. Extra turkeys go to the food bank. Theme is gratitude. Mr. D discussed bomb threat at GP yesterday; staff gets specific instruction from law enforcement. GP released kids so they didn't have to stand in the rain while the school was searched.

Open Discussion:

Gina mentioned cancellation of the morning events. She asked what we might do instead. Emily discussed what the board came up with for 6th graders: tea or pancake breakfast to raise money for camp. Additional family nights at different locations. Lauren discussed that having an event for 6th graders only would be much more simple and do-able. Gina might chair the event but wants to know that she has budget and what is available for dates and schedules. Could kids go into school late?

Lauren motion to allocate Mothers event to 6th grade celebration event. Second by Emily U. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 PM