

## **Spring Brook Elementary School Minutes**

Thursday, February 22nd, 2018

President Allison Fosdick called the meeting to order at 9:37am in the lunch room at Spring Brook Elementary on February 22nd, 2018.

**In attendance:** Allison Fosdick, Lynn McElhone, Amie Enright, Courtney Barenbrugge, Dave Worst, Julie Vogel, Luciana Rodriguez, Lindsey Zucker, Kajul Aggarwal, Shannon Meurer, Stephanie Hicks, Jenilee Tomlinson, Katherine Dunn, Katie Finke

**Approval of January's minutes:** PTA minutes from the January 25th meeting were approved as written.

### **Thank yous:**

- Thank you to Jenilee Tomlinson, Jen Maita, Katie Finke and the entire Adult Social Committee for a hugely successful night all around.
- Thank you to the teachers and staff for Open House. The kids loved it.
- Thank you to Julie Scarpaci and Bingo for Books Committee for a great Bingo for Books event. Thank you to Principal Worst for calling numbers.
- Thank you to the Hospitality committee for bringing in cupcakes for the teachers for Valentine's Day.
- Thank you to Ashwini Shukla who picked up the final district entries late at night after the ceremony.
- Thank you to the Spring Fling committee for working feverishly to plan the Spring Fling.

### **Principal's Report:** presented by Principal Worst

- Thank you for the help for Jump Rope For Heart. We couldn't do it without the parents' help. Ms. Jansen does a wonderful job. Mr. Worst will send out final numbers in my weekly message.
- Thank you for your flexibility for Open House so we could beat the weather.
- Bingo for Books was a lot of fun, Mr. Worst had a great time. Thank you to the teachers and parents for helping.
- Principal Worst has read Mother Goose to 2<sup>nd</sup> grade and will be reading to kindergarten and 1<sup>st</sup> grade coming up.
- 4<sup>th</sup> grade did a Shark Tank contest where the kids came up with inventions.
- Kindergarten orientation is next week. Please help get word out.
- Parent/Teacher Conferences are this upcoming Thursday.

- PARCC testing is the week of March 5-16
- The 2<sup>nd</sup> grade musical is on March 21<sup>st</sup>
- Mr. Worst showed the PTA members the new mascot costume, Blizzard, and plans to wear it at the Spring Fling.

**President's Report:** presented by Allison Fosdick

- Please see attached IPPC report.
- The District does not make money on the school lunch program. If any money is made, it's re-invested back into the school.
- The District is developing an app for bus-riders that updates your bus route and lets you know if the bus is running late. It will be rolled out at the end of next year.
- The District called the snow day ahead of the snow because of the forecast and they wanted to prepare.

**Treasurer's Report:** presented by Amie Enright

- Please see attached report.
- Tile Night made over \$1100 which is \$300-400 over last year.
- Adult Social made \$12,615 which is amazing and double what we had projected.

**Committee Reports:**

- **Nominating Committee:** presented by Lindsey Zucker
  - The committee is actively looking for people to fill Board positions. If you would like to self-nominate or know anyone who would be good, please contact Lindsey.
- **Spring Fling:** presented by Luciana Rodriguez
  - Almost all of the baskets have been turned in. We have 52 out of 116 volunteers, so we need more volunteers.
  - The committee needs help wrapping baskets on February 28<sup>th</sup> from 10-2. Please contact Luciana if you can help.
- **Bingo for Books:** presented by Julie Scarpaci (read by Courtney Barenbrugge)
  - Over 700 books and 10 raffle prizes were collected for the event. Thank you to the volunteers. Julie received a lot of great feedback from families and Mrs. Hoyle-Ross
- **Tile Night:** presented by Julie Scarpaci (read by Courtney Barenbrugge)
  - Tiles are in. The office notified the district to get on their calendar to put them up.

- **Multicultural Night:** presented by Swati Mehta (read by Courtney Barenbrugge)
  - Multicultural Night is on Wednesday, April 25<sup>th</sup>. It is a great opportunity for you and your child to represent a country.
  - We are looking for volunteers to help with the night and will send out a Volunteer Spot soon.

**New Business/Announcements:**

- The next dough raising will be on Wednesday, March 7<sup>th</sup> at Noodles and Company on Route 59 and 75<sup>th</sup>.

**Public comments:**

- Jenilee Tomlinson asked about what the PTA will do with \$6,000 profit from Adult Social. Amie responded that the Board will talk with staff/members to come up with ideas. Allison explained that we can't use funds to update the playground or air conditioners because it's owned by District and we have one of the newer playgrounds in the district.

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 9:59 pm by Allison Fosdick.

Respectfully Submitted,

Courtney Barenbrugge