

Franklin-Randall PTO Board Meeting Minutes

October 25, 5:15-6:30 pm

Franklin LMC

Board members present: Lisa Geraghty, Lindsay Feitlinger, Adam Hirsch, Berta Strigel, Amy Coad, Megan Spicer, Sara Campbell, Erin McMillan

Board members absent: Colleen Johnson, Chris Rich

Administration: Sylla Zarov, John Wallace

I. Meeting called to order at 5:30 pm by Lisa Geraghty.

II. PTO funded project story

A. John Wallace provided an update on the Randall Mural project by Kati Wallace.

1. The mural is near completion but the remainder of the project will be completed in spring so the weather does not interfere with drying time.
2. The process of obtaining the funds was not as clear cut as they would have liked and in the future this will be more linear.
3. They are still wanting to collect funds for the West High School SAIL group that aided with the event.
4. The event was a great success and the community building was fantastic!

III. Approve September board meeting minutes

A. A motion to approve was made by Lindsay and seconded by Megan. Minutes approved.

IV. Treasurer's report

A. Lisa made a call for questions about the treasurer's report to be directed to Colleen. As the board president and treasurer were absent this meeting the report will be deferred until next month.

V. Grants update

A. Sara noted that the grant deadline was extended one week and the deadline had passed Oct. 21.

1. The committee is meeting Thursday, October 27 in the back room of Barriques on Monroe Street.

2. The total applications received was 11 grants at \$8,155.00.

VI. Vote on resolution to approve \$400 for Franklin Elementary tumbling mats

A. Approval requested for \$400.00 from the 2016/2017 PTO capital fund (\$200.00 line item from last year, \$200.00 line item for this year, plus an additional \$200.00) to fund the PE programs 2 new tumbling mats was made. Motion to approve made by Adam, seconded by Berta. Motion approved.

VII. Fundraising update

A. Lindsay provided a directory sponsorship update.

1. We have some new sponsors, ie Mystery to Me bookstore. We are still one short on directory sponsorships.

2. Moving forward it was suggested we discuss not obtaining directory sponsorships but rather fund the directory from the capital fund.

B. The capital campaign is moving along, raising over \$7000.00 in the first 9 days.

1. The information about the campaign will go out in Friday folders with a half sheet, in the newsletter, and on facebook. It should also be translated into Hmong and Spanish.

2. It was asked if school messenger would be a more efficient way to disseminate the information next year?

C. Lindsay is looking into companies to sell Franklin-Randall gear, such as t-shirts and bumper stickers. There will also be glow in the dark t-shirts for sale at the Glo-ball, with reduced income students able to obtain them at no cost.

D. Sylla, Mandy Harvey, and Nurse Lovell are working on a spring fun run at Franklin to raise money for the Franklin playground renovation.

1. They are considering doing this in place of the spring field day.

2. Possible venues are the school asphalt or the grass at Goodman field.

E. Lindsay is also discussing doing an adult fundraising event March 11. She is looking for someone to chair this committee. Amy will put this in her volunteer requests.

1. The board asked if the PTO does choose to do more targeted fundraising events, do we need to look into changing our language for the fall fundraiser so people understand we will be fundraising throughout the year?

VIII. Adopt a school updates

A. Megan provided 2 hand outs on Franklin and Randalls partnership overviews.

1. Megan and John will be meeting this week to more clearly define what Randall's expectations for a school partner might be.

a) there are 4 businesses within close proximity of Randall that we are looking to have adopt us: Rural Mutual, Edgewood College, Sheraton, and the UW Athletic Department. Does anyone have any contacts with these businesses that would help our cause? This question will also be posed to the membership meeting tonight.

IV. 60 second updates

A) Lisa is going through the most recent parent/teacher staff survey of PTO funding priorities and a new survey is to go out this year. Erin volunteered to help on this.

B) A sign-up sheet for board members to attend the West-Side PTO meetings was passed around. The attendee would bring updates back to the board.

C) The 2016-2017 capital budget update was deferred until next months meeting.

D) Other items

1. PTO meeting times: what times work best for board?

a) the Rock Hound Brewing Comapny social events have been well attended.

b) There are no set times yet for the spring PTO meetings.

i. It was discussed to change the PTO membership meetings to a few times a year and make an all school event out of it, rather than the monthly topical meetings. Berta and Megan will work on this idea with potential piloting this spring.

2. Over \$400.00 was made from the Franklin food carts at the open house.

Meeting adjourned by Lisa: 6:15 pm.