

Atkinson Elementary PTA  
General Membership Meeting  
April 18th 2017

Call to Order:

President Annie Johnson calls to order the general meeting in the school library on April 18th, 2017 at 6:45 pm.

Introductions:

President Annie Johnson welcomes PTA board members and attendees and summarises the agenda for the meeting.

Principal's Report:

Last month there as grim news regarding budget cuts- Some things have changed, we received a grant for full time PTA, and were able to keep both our secretaries and we will not be losing any teaching staff. With the tech smart grant we will be getting a half time "tech coach". There will be a literacy coach available through the grant as well, here on site four days a week. These staffing fixes are limited to the 17/18 school year. We are having playground improvements in June while the school building is closed- Painting and new lettering will also happen. May 11th is the tech/maker space family night, students will be in classrooms while parents are invited into the school library to hear Ivonne speak about our new tech grant. Run for Atkinson will be May 18th, if rain is predicted it will be May 20th. Funds will be raised for just for Art here at Atkinson. Volunteers will be needed.

Committee Reports:

Fundraising:

The "Amor" auction proved successful, we had our biggest paddle raise ever and raised a net income of 48,000.

Garden Report:

Earth day is coming up, sign up sheets are in the FYI. It's a great chance for parents who aren't in the committee to help with the garden and see what it's all about. Last year the theme was "spirals" and this year the theme is "water" (using all found materials!) K-2 is this Friday and 3-5th is next Friday. The discovery garden has been progressing and Kira is very excited to have four different sections that interact with the environment in different ways. Mason bee

boxes will be installed over the summer, they are a very “friendly” bee that doesn’t make honey but also doesn’t swarm or sting (but are amazing pollinators!) The next garden committee meeting will be Tuesday the 25th right after drop off at Rain or Shine Cafe.

Emergency Preparedness report:

Jaime reports that parent Susan Romanski has been working with a project manager to secure main rooms in the school. Water barrels are being kept in the garden. The overall project to secure the entire school is about 18,000. The committee is hoping to complete the project over four years, budgeting about 4,300 per year for structural mitigation.

Treasurer’s Report:

Good of the Order:

President Annie Johnson

Adjournment:

President Annie Johnson called the meeting adjourned at 7:53PM

Prepared by,

Kelsey Carrisoza, Secretary

Attachments:

Sign-in sheet

Date Presented: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved as Written ---- or Amended ----- or Corrected

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