

MINUTES OF THE BRIDGE PTA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Held on Tuesday, May 8, 2013 (1:30-3:00 pm) at Tricia Weisberg's home, 69 Prospect Hill Road, Lexington MA

PTA Executive Members Present:

Rebecca Moore (Co-President), Justine Wirtanen (Co-President), Tricia Weisberg (Treasurer), Stephanie Mitzenmacher (Secretary), Nimisha Asthagiri, Sue Kingsbury, Laura Schroeder, Cathy Smith, Christie King, Lisa Dinsmore

Proceedings:

- 1) Meeting called to order at 1:37.
- 2) Executive Committee agreed to approve previous minutes (3/12/13 and 4/9/13) via email.
- 3) Budget Review – Tricia Weisberg, Treasurer.
 - a. Garden Committee requested \$345 in funds to cover sprinkler repairs. Board discussed covering this item from the Playground Committee Line Item.
 - i. Sue Kingsbury made a motion to cover the \$345 Sprinkler repair from the Playground Committee Line Item in the PTA budget. Stephanie Mitzenmacher 2nd the motion. Board vote unanimously in favor.
 - b. Principal Colella requested classroom technology – 5 iPads for PALS and for SPED (resource room). The Executive Board (EC) was in support of funding this technology request. EC discussed how to fund this request.
 - i. Funding this request from the current fiscal year would mean closing out the year with a budget deficit.
 - ii. Funding this fiscal year's request from the next fiscal year's budget would mean starting the new year with no funds in the technology budget.
 - iii. Tricia Weisberg made a motion that the Bridge PTA fund the principal's technology request from this fiscal year's budget. The motion passed 8 to 2.
 - c. Justine Wirtanen suggested that the 5th Grade Committee budget be rolled into general funds and handled as a budget line item. Board agreed to explore this issue further.
- 4) Executive Committee Nominees for 2013 -14:
 - a. Nominees will be announced at a May 24th parent coffee at 8:30 am in the Bridge Cafeteria.
 - b. Votes for the 2013 – 14 PTA executive board will be taken at members' meeting on June 10th, 7:30 pm at the A Loft Hotel.
- 5) Fundraising Initiatives:
 - a. Current
 - i. Wishing Well
 - ii. Bentley Boyd Lexington 300 Comic Book
 - iii. Spring Fling – Raffle Items
 - b. Upcoming
 - i. Arts Tile Fundraiser
 - ii. Monster Carnival
 - iii. Kidstuff Coupons

iv. Babysitting service during parent/teacher conferences

6) Upcoming Events (Fundraisers)

- a. Spring Teacher's Appreciation Breakfast
- b. Zumba Night, Friday May 10th
- c. 5th Grade Parents Welcome to Clarke May 24th, 9-10 am
- d. Spring Fling/Bridge End of Year Celebration, Friday, May 31st, 5:30 – 8:00 pm, Clarke
- e. Nature's Classroom/5G Camp: June 10-12, 2013
- f. Field Day, June 13 with June 14 as a raindate.
- g. Delores' Crossing Dedication, June 14 at 4:00 pm
- h. 5 Grade Moving On Ceremony, June 19th at 10 am
- i. 5th Grade Graduation Party @ Clarke Gym: 5 -9 pm, June 19
- j. Last Day of school: June 24th (1/2 day)

7) Final Bridge PTA Executive Committee Meeting tentatively to be held on June 10, 7:30 pm at the Aloft Hotel Bar.

8) Rebecca made a motion at 3:00 pm to adjourn the meeting, Justine 2nd the motion. Meeting was adjourned.

Addendum to Item 3)b.

An update was made to this item via a May 22nd email. Technology request was changed to:

- 2 iPads
- 12 External Hard Drives
- 25 Flash Drives

This matter was not taken up for an official vote because the dollar amount of the request did not change.

** Minutes submitted by Stephanie Mitzenmacher, PTA Secretary