

MINUTES

Potter Road Elementary School PTO

Date | time 3/8/2017 7:00 PM | Meeting called to order by Lisa Gold & Suzanne Burke

Motion to Approve Minutes – Lisa Gold

The February minutes were reviewed and approved by the board.

Administration Report – Paula Del Prete

- MCAS tests are approaching. Schedules for testing went home with students in their folders.
 - Students have been taking practice tests
 - For the first time the tests will all be administered on computers
- Winter/Spring session clubs have all started up again. All clubs have seen a wonderful participation from students
- Our community has given a tremendous amount of support to our 5th grade student who lost his mother. The PTO donated a gift card in the amount of \$500 to the family
- PTO also donated a \$100 gift card to #whynotdevin

Board Update

The PTO Board will have some option positions for the 2017-2018 school year. Current Co-Presidents Kristi Johnson & Adina Kurzman have fulfilled their 2 year commitment and will be stepping down. Openings are as follows:

- Co-Presidents* (2)
- Vice President (1)
- Secretary (3)

Treasurer Andy Aylesworth will be stepping down and Kevin Harris, who has been shadowing Andy for the last 2 school years, will take his place. *Please note that in order to become PTO President you must have completed at least one year as a board member.

The board will also be looking to recruit a Portuguese liaison to assist with communicating to our Portuguese families during and after our monthly PTO meetings.

The board will be accepting nominations for open positions at the April 5th PTO meeting. Voting will then take place at the May PTO meeting.

Treasurer's Report – Lisa Gold (Treasurer Andy Aylesworth traveling for business)

Last month's income:

- Amazon brought in \$305.47 in February
- Stop & Shop brought in \$294.73 for a total of \$1,281.67 this school year. Program will end in March

Committee Reports

There are a number of committees looking for new or additional chairs for the 2017-2018 school year. A list of committees, chairs and openings will be sent out in June after Kindergarten orientation.

Committee Updates:

BOKS – BOKS has completed its lottery for the spring session.

Kindergarten Tours – Tours will take place at the school on Thursday, March 23rd at 1:30pm & 6:00pm. Families will be shown a new video “A Day in the Life of a Potter Road Kindergartener” produced by PTO member Sarah Bowers. Tours run from 45 – 60 minutes.

Fine Arts Show - The show will be held on May 24th in both the cafeteria (chorus & band performances) and the gym (art show). A signup genius will be going out looking for volunteers to help with set up, clean up etc.

TWPTO – The last meeting was at the Hemenway School. There was a guest speaker from Not this Charter. TWPTO Rep Kevin Harris had a conversation with new superintendent Dr. Tremblay. He is committed to working with the schools and improving the FPS public image.

Lego League – The first session was held and successful. There were 70 applicants but the club was only able to take 36 students.

Robotics – Robotics club kicked off and currently has 16 students with 4 mentors. The club is for 4th and 5th grade students.

The meeting was called to a close at 7:55 by Lisa Gold.

The next PTO meeting will take place on Wednesday, April 5th at 7:00pm in the cafeteria.