

In attendance: Karen Bonnell, Kate Powers, Ginger Ogilvie, Daniel Bollman, Amy Refior, Chuck Wilkinson, Dori Leyko, Sara Smith, Emily Lilly-Lacca

CALL TO ORDER

Dan Bollman

REVIEW/APPROVE AGENDA, Amy motions to approve, second by Sarah, passes

REVIEW/APPROVE MINUTES - December 16, 2014. Amy motions to approve, second by Sarah, pass.

OFFICERS' REPORTS

Treasurer's Report

Amy Refior

- Not a lot of activity in Dec. Current checking acct at \$32,000; \$5000 Scholastic dollars to spend. Received Box Top check, donation for \$500 from community parent, teacher reimbursement amounts.

District Parent Council Report

Emily Lilly-Lacca

- At the recent meeting, Dr Baumann (Curriculum Director) presented. She talked about cycling curriculum, and some of the current and potential science grants for ELPS: high school is working with MSU to take part in senior level grad projects with MSU students, will be able to do for the next 3 years from an NSF grant; Dart has given some money; GM—robotics/STEM; NASA/Disney grant. Also Parent intervention enrichment tutoring—trying to connect adults in the community who want to give back through tutoring/enrichment time spent at the HS.
- SAT/ACT prep, how to get the kids ready in the next few months—they were taking the ACT as 11th graders, now will be taking the SAT.
- AVID program: (Utica, West Bloomfield use this program), Dr Thompson hoping to get this started here.
- Conversation around the Education Bill; having someone come and talk to parents/the district about how to stay on top of the legislative issues that will affect our schools as they trickle down.
- Glencairn is doing ZUMBA and Jump Rope competitions.

Principal's Report

Dori Leyko

- This year we transition to MSTEP, which will replace the MEAP for our 3-5th graders. If you want to know more, documents are online-- go to MDE or google MSTEP. Taken in a Spring window. Eventually will be an online test. Marble is doing paper and pencil one more year, but next year will transition to online. Affects our students in grades 3-5. All three grades will do reading and math; 4th has a science part; 5th has social studies. This week elementary building principals are beginning to create a plan to prepare students and teachers and communicate to parents.
- Finishing up this week the winter AIMS Web screening.
- Big Zoo Lesson was last week. No snow days to interfere.
- 1st grade is going to Sparrow for Hello Hospital field trip these weeks.
- No more snow forts at recess for awhile.
- Still looking for lunch monitors. They come and go frequently for various reasons.

Board of Education Report

Kate Powers

- Welcome! Kate is our new Board Representative. Has a son in 3rd grade in Donley. Works at Elle's Place. Kate.powers@elps.us

- Elected new officers at the meeting on January 12th. Check online for list of officers.
- Also at 1/12 meeting: PBIS presentation; Supt. presentation on AVID—a college prep program for students not necessarily on the college-track; conversation around communication—communicating more to the community, people who don't necessarily have a student in ELPS.
- Teacher contract was approved.
- Next meeting Monday, Jan. 26.

PREVIOUS BUSINESS

Coat Drive & Coin Drive final

Amy Refior

- \$720 from the Coin Drive
- Coat drive very successful. Mostly new stuff. Mrs. Keenan very grateful for the generosity.
- Sweat pants and snow pants are always a need for the office.

NEW BUSINESS

Gardening grant

Ginger Ogilvie

- Continuing to pursue a grant to address the need of the sidewalk by the bus lane.
- Friday, May 1 Gardening and Clean Up Day
- Keep an eye out for resources for a “cafeteria makeover”

Marble marquee

Karen Bonnell

- In need of repair or there will only be a few more years of life left in it. Putting it on the radar.

Reading month science presentation

Karen Bonnell

- Idea for using the outstanding science funds of \$800--inviting Sisbro team (sisbro.com) come to do 3 presentations during March Reading Month. Ms Leyko is planning to contact them to see when/if they can come.

Stand-up desk grant

Dan Bollman

- Dan proposes an idea of bringing in stand-up desks for students. Either for a classroom to pilot, or a few to be shared throughout the building. Much better for attentiveness, students who need to fidget, etc. Ms Leyko will ask the teachers what they think, bring in some research/people to talk to the topic. Mr. Wilkinson fully supports the idea of adding some stand up desks to Marble. Dan is looking around for possible grants to support this idea.

PARENTS QUESTION & ANSWER

- Ms Leyko asked about requesting funds for preserving and displaying Art for Charlie pieces for the school. Amy confirmed we have AfC funds to cover that.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

- Mileage Club starts April 13. Registration is Feb 1- March 5. Brochures going home last week of January.

ADJOURN—adjourn at 7:25 PM

UPCOMING EVENTS

Marble Math Extravaganza

Monday, January 26, 6:30 – 8:00 PM in Multi-purpose room

Bailey Community Assoc. Valentine's Party

Saturday, February 14, 2:00 – 4:00 Orchard Street Pump House

President's Day (no school)

Monday, February 16

MPC February meeting

Tuesday, February 17 at 7:00 PM in Marble Library

4th Grade Spaghetti Dinner

Wednesday, February 25