**Simpson Elementary School**

**PTA Board Meeting Minutes**

**Friday, December 8, 2023**

**Members Present:**

Mary Catherine Jennings, Maxine McClure, Phil Hebenstreit, Misty Ratchford, Julie Miller, Heather Reich, Stacie Olson, Beth Goldstein, Megan Bunce

**Call to Order:**

Mary Catherine Jennings, PTA Co-President, called the meeting to order at 9:37am.

**The minutes from November are approved.**

**Treasurers Report: Phil Hebenstreit**

* The report was passed around for review.

**Academics/Arts: Megan Bunce:**

- Peachtree Brass is coming for a performance on Friday, December 15th. There will be multiple sessions to accommodate all grade levels (K-5).

- Holiday Glow at the Town Center was successful for Simpson singers.

- STEM Fair forms are due back on December 15th.

- The Square One art fundraiser allowed Ms. Callas to purchase new tables in the art room.

- Starry Starry Night is on 2/8/24 at 6pm. Flyers will go home in January.

- The Talent show will be 2/29/24 at 6pm. Tickets will go on sale in February.

**Communications/Publications: Beth Goldstein:**

* No updates for this month.

**Family/Community Outreach: Stacie Olson:**

- Mother/Son Game Night was successful. Thought for next year is to remove the pizza/meal and only provide a treat at the event. A request for a sit-down activity (such as bingo) was made.

- Giving Tree has gone very well. A sign-up genius was used to fulfill wishes and all wishes were filled.

- Sweetheart dance is February 3rd. Tickets will be on sale Jan 8th -Jan 22nd for $12/ticket. Volunteers are needed for the event.

**Finance: Heather Reich:**

* Heather will reach out to business partners to see if we can utilize them for dinner before the Sweetheart Dance
* Winter Spirit Wear is in and will be delivered before the winter break.
* Star Wars fundraiser will be Feb 5th-8th, and the winner will be announced at Starry Starry Night.

**Health/Environment: (Emma Keith absent, report given by Mary Catherine Jennings):**

* No updates for this month.

**Staff/Student Services: Julie Miller:**

* SPED Staff appreciation in December was successful. The next appreciation event will be in February.
* The Thankful Potluck for teachers/staff in November was successful.
* The water bottle fillers are still in discussion to see if we can update some of the water fountains in the building. This would replace the water subscription for the teacher lounge.
* Winter Parties have been moved to classrooms. All classes will have an activity and a snack.

**PTA Business:**

* We will be establishing a nominating committee to help fulfill any open positions on the executive board in the future.

**Next Meeting Friday, January 12, 2024**

**ADJOURNMENT** Mary Catherine Jennings adjourned the meeting at 10:40 a.m.