

CPA Board Meeting Minutes

May 4, 2022

Called to Order at 10:34 AM.

In Attendance:

April Wallace, Angela Foster, Cara Anderson-Ahrens, Tooba Rashid, Christy Yun, Sara Couch, and Laura Myers.

Approval of Previous Board Meeting Minutes:

Angela moved to approve the February 2, 2022, Board meeting minutes, and Laura seconded the motion. Minutes were approved.

Presidents' Report:

(Presented by April/Angela)

1. District Updates:
 - a. Challenge Program projected enrollment
 - i. Terrace Park Challenge: 410 students (+49)
 - ii. BTMS Hi-Cap: 173 (+19)
 - b. ESD Hi-Cap Steering Committee remains paused.
2. Teacher Updates: None
3. Community and Advocacy Issues: None
4. Communications:
 - a. Newsletters going out monthly
 - b. Angela has been keeping Facebook updated
 - c. Sumit Kumar to join the team as Communications for 2022-2023.
5. Board Positions 2022-23:
 - a. Angela, Cara, Christy, and Tooba will remain on CPA Board.
 - b. April, Laura, and Sara will depart at the end of year.
6. Final General Meeting will take place on 5/12/22.

Special Report:

(Presented by Sara)

1. Sara attended the most recent Edmonds PTA Council's Meeting on 4/27/22
2. The meeting's focus was "Equity in Fundraising"
3. Sara reported on the meeting in detail:

- a. Focus was on the National and Washington State PTA's mission: "To *advocate* for all children"
- b. Edmonds PTA Council had invited Vivian Van Gelder from Seattle Public School District to share what they are working on
 - i. Vivian presented an impressive amount of data to illustrate how we are seeing the echoes of distribution of wealth play out in school fundraising
 - ii. Discussed that PTAs should not be contributing to the continued problem of inequities, and that this happens when fundraising becomes a substitute for advocacy
 - iii. WA State PTA has made resolutions that they should not be funding gaps in education that should be covered in the basic education that should be funded and provided for by the state
 1. Pointed out that when PTAs cover these gaps with funding it's actually having a reverse effect on lawmakers choosing to fund basic education
 - a. Lawmakers are deceived into thinking that we're good and that basic education needs are being met
 2. When PTAs cover the gaps in basic education funding, it actually exacerbates critical inequities in the system
 - iv. The steps SPD is taking is to look at the district as ONE and working on cross district collaboration to serve equity in all schools
 - v. Next step for SPD is to determine the formula for redistribution

Vice Presidents' Report:

(Presented by Tooba/Cara)

1. Family Events:
 - a. Challenge Swim Party RSVP's are in for May 5 and May 13
 - i. Plan to use these events to recruit new board members.
 - b. Summer Playdate schedule discussed:
 - i. July 11, 6-8pm at Hickman Park
 - ii. July 29, 12-2pm at Evergreen Playfield
 - iii. August 17, 6-8pm at Logan Park
 - iv. August 28, 11-1pm Lynndale Park picnic shelter is reserved for family picnic

Treasurer Report:

(Presented by Christy)

1. We are under budget and have had few expenses so far.
 - a. \$8611 YTD Fundraisers
 - b. \$2638 YTD Expenses
2. A grant request from Mrs. Teeter was received and board approved during the spring cycle for new Hydropower Kits for the 4th grade students
3. June 10th is the teacher deadline to turn in expenses for reimbursement. Teachers have been notified.

Brier Terrace Middle School (BTMS) Liaison Report:

(Presented by Laura)

1. Moving on ceremony - discussed checking with PTA

Meeting Adjourned at 11:45 AM.