

LAKEWAY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PTO
GENERAL MEETING MINUTES
FEBURARY 20, 2007

President Lori Griggs called the meeting to order at 9:10 AM.

In attendance were: Kim McCarthy, Lori Griggs, Danielle Swanson, Virginia DeNisio, Kara Gaskamp, Terry Kelley, Sam Hicks, Cindy Villanueva, Silvie Downer, Jay Hiller, Margaret Godman, Kim Richardson, Kristin Wolf, Heather Frye-Ginsberg and Patty Hoenig.

The minutes were approved as written for the January 2007 general meeting.

Principal's Report: Sam Hicks

The school board approved the committee recommendation for rezoning. LWE is expected to have 520 students next year. Mr. Hicks will host two open houses for parents from Alta Vista and Falconhead on March 6th – one in the morning for moms and another in the evening for families. A system is in place to communicate with all families who will attend LWE in the fall.

LWE received many compliments for the UIL competition it hosted. Students from LWE have received their medals. LWE will host the meet again next year.

Science Fair for K-2 is coming up. Although it is not required, it is encouraged as a family project.

The school play is also coming up. Its a 1st class production. It was written by Tom Seabolt.

By spring break staffing for LWE and Serene Hills should be finalized regarding current LWE staff.

Allison Cobb will transition shortly to principal for Serene Hills and will no longer serve as assistant principal at LWE. Due to the loss of the assistant principal position, Mr. Hicks was allowed to hire a new counselor, Pat Matheny.

Grandfathering forms will be mailed soon.

Treasurer's Report: Danielle Swanson

Teacher Wish List Items:

2nd grade: 2nd grade requests \$432.87 for books and book extension activities, \$41.95 for No Clamour reading composition and \$117.03 for a Reading Composition series bringing their total request to date to \$1,864.80. Danielle Swanson moved to approve the requests. Terry Kelley 2nd. All were in favor. The motion passed.

3rd grade: 3rd grade requests \$286.27 for privacy offices. Mr. Hicks will purchase the privacy offices from the activities fund.

4th grade: 4th grade requests \$2,900 for 25 copies of 'The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe', an electric stapler, double-sided grid, audio books, grammar skills program, math skills tools (tiles, timer, scales, etc...) and diagnostic student/teacher education material. 4th grade has spent \$1,149.33 of their \$3,000 budget. Danielle Swanson moved to allow 4th grade to spend up to their \$3,000 budget. Patty Hoenig 2nd. No motion was made on which items the money would fund. Mr. Hicks will meet with Mr. Fazzio to prioritize. All were in favor. The motion passed. 4th grade has spent their current budget.

Art: The art department requests \$188 for marbling supplies, \$375 for a TAEA conference, \$521.03 for clay and glazes and \$223.11 for watercolors and markers. Danielle Swanson moved to approve the marbling supplies, clay and glazes and the watercolors and markers. Terry Kelley 2nd. All were in favor. The motion passed.

Virginia DeNisio moved to allow the art department to spend its remaining budget (approximately \$78.86) on the TAEA conference. Kim McCarthy 2nd. All were in favor. The motion carries. Kara Gaskamp moved to increase

the budget for art by \$150 and decrease the budget for library by \$150. This additional \$150 for art would also go towards the TAEA conference. Patty Hoenig 2nd. All were in favor. The motion passed. Art's new budget is \$1,150, which they have spent.

Tutoring: Danielle Swanson moved to add a budget line item for tutoring expense in the amount of \$4,000. Heather Frye-Ginsberg 2nd. All were in favor. The motion passed. Tutoring has spent its current budget.

Nurse: Nurse Haskins requests \$465.95 for a scale and case. LWE's current scale isn't mobile. This item will also be used by teachers in a "LWE Losers" program. Danielle Swanson moved to increase the IST budget to \$1,026. Terry Kelley 2nd. All were in favor. The motion passed. Danielle moved to approve the request for the scale. Patty Hoenig 2nd. All were in favor. The motion passed. IST has spent its current budget.

Office: Ms. Cobb requests \$149 for TEPSA conference and \$199 for a conference on employee behavior. Terry Kelley moved to table this item. Kara Gaskamp 2nd. All were in favor. The motion passed.

P.E.: The P.E. department requests \$1,150 for a fundamental of ball handling cd & video, an air compressor and a sound system belt pack and headset. Danielle Swanson moved to increase the P.E. budget by \$150 and decrease the music budget by \$150. Heather Frye-Ginsberg 2nd. All were in favor. The motion passed. Danielle Swanson moved to approve the P.E. requests for \$1,150. Terry Kelley 2nd. All were in favor. The motion passed. P.E. has spent its current budget.

UIL: UIL doesn't have a budget line item. The costs for the UIL competition were funded from Hospitality's budget. The net cost to LWE was \$328. Danielle Swanson moved to increase the Hospitality budget by \$328. Kara Gaskamp 2nd. All were in favor. The motion passed.

The PTO's current bank balance is \$47,443.42. The additional income was \$1,300 in internet Passbook sales, \$1,200 from Randall's, \$1,200 from Box Tops and \$2,000 from the Talent Show.

School Store: Kim Richardson requests additional funds for the school store. Danielle Swanson moved to increase the School Store expense to \$4,000. Kim Richardson 2nd. All were in favor. The motion passed. Danielle Swanson moved to increase the School Store income to \$7,500. Kim Richardson 2nd. All were in favor. The motion passed.

Nominations Committee: Robin Thomas & Kara Gaskamp

Letters to elementary schools will go out in next Tuesday's folder inviting parents who will attend LWE in the fall to contact Robin Thomas if they are interested in volunteering next year at LWE. The deadline for the executive board positions is March 22nd. The committee feels good about the timeline and the ability to fill all the positions.

Landscaping Update: Lori Griggs for Gayle Snowden

The rock work around the entry was redone. The work around the marquee should begin this week.

President's Report: Lori Griggs

Our current bylaws require the candidate for president to have served on an executive board of a parent group.

Boxtops: Cindy Villanueva

Thousands of box tops were turned in and the winner from each grade level was announced. The popsicle party for the winners will be this week.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:25 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Kim McCarthy—Secretary