

Newcastle Elementary PTSA

Parent Teacher Student Association



General Membership Meeting Agenda

May 3, 2023

7pm-8:30pm

Newcastle Elementary Library

In attendance: Mary Vickers, Ellie Diaz, Tod Wood, Allison Sweeney, Jennifer Choi, Ali Bligh, Mary McGuire Brown, Fiorella Tapiarene, Anand Patel, Kathryn Sciba, Shellie Colby, Whitney Walker, Katie Green, Bisa Meek

Call to Order – Mary Vickers

7p

Vote to approve February 28th PTSA General Meeting Minutes – Mary Vickers

Bisa motions to approve

Tod seconds

All in favor with no objections or abstentions.

Nominating Committee – Whitney Walker, Dana Kinghorn, Alice Kim

Nominating committee (Whitney Walker, chair representing) presented the nominations and Mary re-read the proposed slate of officers. The Nominating Committee thereby placed the following names into nomination:

For the Office of President – Mary Vickers

For the Office of VP of Volunteers – Janis Yu & Alice Kim

For the Office of VP of Outreach – Danielle Colatasi & Anand Patel

For the Office of VP of Programs – Bisa Meek & Fiorella Tapiarene

For the Office of VP of Ways & Means – Shelli Colby

For the Office of Secretary – Katie Green & Sangeeta Iyer

For the Office of Treasurer – Jennifer Choi & Kathryn Sciba

There were no additional nominations and Mary declared the nominations closed. Allison motioned to approve and Bisa seconded the motion. Nominees were elected by voice vote in accordance with WSPTA Bylaws Article 5 Section 6B. Without any abstentions or objections the election of the 2022/2023 Executive Board was approved.

Issaquah Schools Foundation Update -- Hilary Doherty

Hilary was absent and Mary read contents of an email to be read during the meeting as follows:

Issaquah Schools Foundation –

Last week we had our Nourishing Every Mind Event with featured presenters and students from Newcastle Elementary. Thank you to all those that participated. If interested in still donating you can do so directly through the foundation website.

If anyone is interested in getting involved we have varying levels of involvement. We have the liaison to our school, various sub committees, and if interested in a board position please contact me or Trisha Marshall.

Angel Program –

Through donations and use of Angel Program designated funds we have secured enough coverage to provide school supplies for 15 of our Angel Students that requested assistance with school supplies for next year. As always we are looking for continued donations and Angel's to help out.

Financial Update – Ali Bligh

Presentation and vote on preliminary 2023/2024 PTSA budget. Ellie Diaz brought up the cost of new cameras in the school. Dr. Wood reiterated the importance of having up to date and better quality cameras to keep our school safe. The cost is \$29,867.24. Allison motioned to approve up to \$30k in case of other costs/taxes. Fiorella seconds. The motion was approved with no objections or abstentions.

After presentation and discussion of the budget, Allison motioned to approve the budget, Bisa seconds. The preliminary budget was approved with no objections or abstentions.

Teacher Representative – Katie Afman

No update, stated that teachers are grateful and thank the PTSA

Activities Update – Outreach, Programs VPs

Outreach: Fundraiser for the Seattle Food and Clothing Bank will occur in the last few weeks of school. Idea brought up having bins of favorite Seattle teams that students can “vote” for by placing their items into the bins.

Programs - Spring Fling planning is under way and will take place June 16th. Dr. Wood wants to converse about what is involved so he can get student involvement by voting for what they'd like to experience.

Movie night for TK-2nd grades is May 19th.

STEM night is this Friday at 5p

For the Good of the Order – Mary Vickers

Adjourn PTSA Meeting – Mary Vickers

830pm

Principal chat with Dr. Wood