

**Keller Elementary PTA
General Meeting Minutes
February 13, 2023**

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m.

Secretary Report, Jen MacKenzie

- Amanda Stier made a motion to approve, James Gingell seconded -All in favor -motion passes, minutes approved

Principal's Report, Marcie Dryden

- Late Start
 - 2/15, 3/1, 3/8, 3/15
- PAC Meeting 2/15/2023
- 2/23 - 4th Grade Music Concert
- February 20-21: No School/Mid-Winter Break
- March 2-3 - Haven Lessons - info is coming home
- Save the date for March 3 at 6:00 p.m. Blessings in a Backpack is having a trivia night @ The Venetian. \$45 pp or Table of ten for \$400. Proceeds go to Royal Oak Students.
- Congratulations to our Founders Day Recipients It's always great to see people get recognized for all their hard work.
- I'd like to thank the PTA, Family Dance chairs Kristi Felix and Sarah Drumwright and all the wonderful volunteers for putting on such an incredible event for our families last Friday. There was still a buzz in the air with how much fun our students had.
- Thank you to the staff appreciation chairs Jessica, Marisa Linn and Danielle for stocking the lounge again for us such a nice Valentine's treat.
- Thank you PTA and Husky Run chairs, we received our mixed grade level colored shirts and they are beautiful. I plan to wear mine with pride this Friday! Thank you for including the entire staff.
- Stay tuned next Month I am going to have Mr. Rahn and Mrs. McLeod to talk about Student Council and a new No Place for Hate initiative.

Board Member's Report, Tim Ciechorski

- Two special Board Meetings:
 - Wednesday, February 15th Strategic Meeting @6 in the Board Room.
 - Thursday, February 16th Special Transportation Meeting

Teacher's Report, Laura Stankiewicz

- Mrs. Kirkwood - 4th Grade Migration Timelines Complete - looking forward to energy projects. Congratulations to Mrs. S & Carie, we wish you happiness in job @ ROMS

- Mrs. Ault - 2nd grade working on Where we are in Place & Time and preparing for our Field Trip to The Henry Ford Museum
- 1st Grade finishing up Internationally Minded Unit
- Thank you for stocking the lounge!
- The dance looked fun. Parents sent me some photos, it looked like a great night.

President's Report, Carie Hooker

- Thank you to all who attended The Founder's Day Dinner. The following awards were given by the RO PTA Council:
 - Honorary Lifetime Member: Laura Stankiewicz
 - Educator of the Year: Jeanette McLeod
 - Distinguished Service: Carie Hooker
 - ABCD Award: Jessica Kammann & Melissa Berry
- The District Office said no on the outdoor pavilion, but did mention that they plan to plant a significant amount of trees in the spring.
- Planning a mural between the office and Mrs. Smith's room. Working with Scott MacKenzie to plan this and hopefully start later this year.
- PTA Facebook Page is not a group but a business page. We need followers to engage with posts to help reach as many people as possible. If we don't have engagement the number of people who will see our posts will go down.
- Thank you Kristi & Sarah for the dance. Please remind students to be safe and not to run in the hallways during events. We may need to some additional volunteers to work as crowd control at future events.
- All Executive Board positions are open - we must have a slate presented at the March meeting to be voted on during the April meeting.
- We also need all committees to be chaired by the end of the school year so we can plan the budget. Think about your committees: would you like to stay on your committee? Do you want to make changes to your committee? Do you need changes to your budget? Do you have a new committee in mind? Budget planning takes place during the summer.
 - Committee Chairs we need for sure:
 - Room Parent Chair
 - Social Media Chair
 - Cultural Arts & Assemblies Chair
 - Reflections Chair - this is a National PTA program encouraging the arts. If we don't get a chair we will be removing this committee.

Treasurer's Report, Sarah Lutz

- Pd for PTA Insurance
- More teachers have used their PTA funds
- Pd for parking lot signs
- Pd some things for Winter Market

- We have a check for \$200 from Lily's Seafood for last month's Restaurant Night
- Some money came in for Founder's Day Dinner and some was paid out.
- Pd for i-pads for Mrs. Eovaldi

Committee Report

- Staff Appreciation: Jessica Kamman
 - Stock the lounge will be set up in the morning.
- Restaurant Night - Melissa Berry & Jennifer Streamer
 - Buffalo Wild Wings - Wednesday, 2/15 all day.
 - Flyer coming home has coupon for free kids meal
- Talent Show - Libby & Melissa
 - Talent Show permission slips are due 2/14
 - Auditions March 1st & 2nd 4-7 Keller Cafeteria
 - Working on Flyers
 - Rehearsal April 20th
 - Performance April 21st @ ROMS
 - We will need lots of volunteers
- IFFF - Jen Lopez & Pilar
 - Paper Dolls are set to be sent home with Kindergartners this week - due back Monday, March 6th
 - Still working on entertainment
 - Snacks have been ordered for the international snack bags
 - 5th grade will have a cookie & water fundraiser
 - Free popcorn
 - Focus will be on entertainment & scavenger hunt
 - Pilar is working on crafts
 - Q: Pilar: Could we meet with the DEI committee for input?
- Silent Auction - Laura & James
 - \$1200 in Staff experiences - if any staff member has reached out to Laura and you haven't heard back please reach out again.
 - \$4100 in experiences and things
 - Received 2 donations from parents - if any parents are interested in donating items or time or experiences please contact the Silent Auction Committee
 - Idea: Fun Day Fundraiser
 - Get the students involved - possible student council, come up with ideas of what fun days they would like to see, we will pick the top three, set a goal of what to raise and the the ideas that reach their goal will go through. If all three ideas reach their goal, there will be three fun days.

- Nominating Committee - John Staniszewski
 - All positions are open
 - Coffee with the Board - 1 person came
 - Potentially host a happy hour to learn more about the Board Positions.

- Old Business
 - None

- New Business
 - Margaret Blount
 - PTA State Convention (Southfield) April 28-30th @ The Radisson
 - Margaret has 3 discount spots for the PTA Convention - \$100 - our PTA would cover half so the ticket would only cost \$50.
 - The cost covers food and materials for the three days.
 - Friday Evening, Meet and Greet event
 - Saturday 8-4
 - Sunday 8-4
 - They have workshops on the different PTA Board Positions
 - If you are interested in attending, please reach out to Carie or Margaret by March 1st. The first three people interested will get the discounted rate.
 - Pilar: Please reach out soon if you need a Sign-up Genius for volunteers for your event. We will need a lot of people for IFFF & Talent Show.

- Next meeting Zoom @ 7pm March 13, 2023

Adjourned at 7:53pm