PTO General Meeting
Tuesday, April 16th, 2013

I. Welcome from co-chairs, Larisa Lilles and Angie Davis

II. Principal’s report

a. Canoe Island: District approved. Potential scheduling issue as it is not clear when school will start in the fall. There is a possibility that all furlough days will be put at the beginning of the year in which case school may not start until after Labor Day. This could create a problem because we can only get Canoe Island right after Labor Day. If school starts later, the proposed time for the trip could be before the first day of school.

b. **Budget and staffing plans for AY 2013/14.** District approved our request to raise enrollment cap from 297 to 320. We were allocated funds for 9.7 staff from the district (30.6 to 1 teacher/student ratio).

c. Tom presented 3 alternative staffing plans for next year that would use various amounts of PTO funds.

1. **Staffing Scenario #1 – requires $185,000 PTO funds.** 11 teachers (2 teacher for every grade) and maintain current level of instructional assistance (teacher's aides). Class sizes range from 25 to 27.5 students.

2. **Staffing Scenario #2 – requires $165,000 PTO funds.** 11 teachers (2 teachers every grade). Reduce current level of instructional assistance. Class sizes range from 25 to 27.5 students.

3. **Staffing Scenario #3 – requires $130,000 PTO funds.** 10 teachers with 4/5 blends (i.e. total of 3 teachers for grades 4 and 5). Maintain current level of instructional assistance (although some will be needed to facilitate blends). Class sizes range from 25.5 to 34.5 (blends). If we choose Scenario #3, we would likely start next year with carryover funds.

d. All parents in attendance were given the opportunity to comment and indicate their preferred scenario. The vast majority strongly supports **Scenario #1** and the PTO's continued fundraising efforts through the end of the year. This is also consistent with the PTO goal set at the beginning of the school year.
III. Committee Reports
   b. Silent Auction: Shaping up very well. Lots of great donations.
   c. Spring direct drive: letter will go out
   d. Jog-a-thon: May 10th K, 1st, 2nd: 9-10 a.m.  
      3rd, 4th, 5th: 10-11 a.m.
   e. Esprit de Corps: Teacher appreciation week. May 6th-10th
      Wednesday May 8th: massages for teachers. We’re in need of one more person to provide massages.
      Thursday, all-staff luncheon. We need volunteers to watch kids on playground/at lunch for that.
      Class reps: send out announcements about flowers on Tuesday, May 7th.
   f. E-scrip: Generated $400 for February.

IV. Co-chair report
   a. New treasurer and banking update: Sabrina Parsons will be new treasurer. New bank account at Summit Bank.

V. Staff/parent mixer. Now scheduled for Monday, May 13th, but let’s move it to Thursday or Friday of that week.

   French Quarter for Eugene Marathon. Sunday, April 27th, 2013. We’re at mile marker 20, which is typically “the wall”; runners say that it is where they need and love a cheer zone. 8:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m. Come for half hour, an hour. Whatever works. Great fun. Great community building.

Next Meeting: May 21st, 2013