

## **PTO Meeting Minutes - March 2, 2016**

**Officers Present:** President: Tara Kennedy VP: Elizabeth Cross, Treasurer: Diana Frye Volunteer Coordinator: Ruthie Sperio, Principal: Joanne Simons, Parents present :17

### **Approval of February Minutes -**

Change to Margarita's Full Moon Madness March 23<sup>rd</sup> NOT March 4<sup>th</sup>  
Motion to approve: Heather Pettis - seconded, then approved

### **President's Report: Tara Kennedy**

Interim Secretary – Meghan Wyman - Motion to approve: Elizabeth Cross - seconded, then approved  
PTO Board Needs – presenting the board nominations in May, vote in June – Need President, VP, Secretary, Asst. Treasurer, Vol Coordinator.  
Proposing some term changes to the PTO Bylaws that might make the positions clearer – more appealing  
May PTO Mtg. – date change – 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday – May 11<sup>th</sup>  
Updated PTO Bylaws – review for vote – need to work on changing a newer version of the bylaws – there are some small proposed changes to the duties and length of service for officers – Treasurer and Asst Treasurer - how they operate. Proposed changes to President / VP and Treasurer/ Asst Treasurer – changing terms to ensure they are not leaving at the same time and officers “roll” into other positions. Discussion about roles and proposed changes to terms.  
Event Write-Ups – need this information to help others take on tasks for previously run events.

### **Principal's Report: Joanne Simons**

Music in Our Schools Month – March – thanks to Ms. Smith there is a lot going on. On Wednesdays students are sharing their musical talents during lunch by performing! K musical coming up at the end of March.  
School Calendar for 2016/17 – looking to making tweaks at central office – Looking at tentative start date of Aug. 29<sup>th</sup>.  
Adjusted Start Time Survey Question – will NOT be happening for 2016/17 – had a small sub committee to look at this a bit more – lots of questions came up – lots to look at.  
Grades 3, 4, 5 – Smarter Balanced Testing – 6 weeks for this – 4<sup>th</sup> graders before vacation – beginning April 11<sup>th</sup> – students will test in mornings – students will get accommodations as needed. Grades 3 and 5 will begin after vacation. Fourth graders will also be assessed in science on the NECAPs. Looking at doing the SBACs as interim assessments as well.  
Report Cards – will go home April 1<sup>st</sup>.

### **30 Day Review**

Pasta Dinner – Feb 18<sup>th</sup> – fun, it was crowded – discussion about taking “reservations” – different seating times – email Heather Pettis with any other suggestions. Baked ziti was a little bit trickier – next year will be just pasta!  
Primary Bake Sale – Feb 9<sup>th</sup> – will need someone to take over this after next year.  
Kisses – Feb 13<sup>th</sup> - went well! Having a helper is always good with this.

### **Treasurer's Report: Diana Frye**

Paid scholarship out to the NFS alumni  
Paid our share to E-School  
Question re. E-School – any new information about possibility of overnight?  
Question re. account for playground being separate from the regular PTO account – Heather will check in about how much is left – do we need any mulch? – do we need to address sign – is that still a concern?

### **60 Day Look Forward: Elizabeth Cross**

**Harlem Wizards – April 1** - sign up to volunteer – there is a link in weekly email and on PTO website – sign up to help and get a free ticket! Tickets are also for sale. Tickets are going fast for reserved seating.  
**Movie Night – March 25** – Minions – link in weekly email and on PTO Website for volunteer needs.  
**Ice Cream Social – March 10** – Please send in donated items – can send ahead of time. DJ Koz will be there!  
**Cash Raffle – March 17** – Need people to sell tickets. Only 400 tickets are sold. Will need someone to do this next year!  
**Talent Show – April 8<sup>th</sup>?** – Might need 5<sup>th</sup> grade parent to help out with 5<sup>th</sup> grade finale...  
**Margarita's Full Moon Madness – March 23<sup>rd</sup>** – come join us! NFS can join  
**PEP** – will be combined with MC3 next year  
**Staff Appreciation – May 2-6** - week after April vacation – Cathy Cosgrove will run this – she's looking for a parent of a younger student to help out and know the “ropes” for next year.  
**Wallis Sands Water Stop – May** – More information to come... Heather will let us know.  
**Lawn Fete – June** – Need someone to run the Fete – we had a group of 10 people helping out with different sections last year... Let Tara Kennedy know if you can help out.  
**5<sup>th</sup> Grade Breakfast – June** – 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Parents typically help run this.

### **Other –**

Blitz fundraiser? – Sarah Gatchell has info about this...  
College Financial Planning – group willing to come and give presentation – Karen Whisler