**Grant Watts Parent Organization**

**April Meeting Minutes**

**Wednesday, April 3, 2019**

**7 p.m. | Grant Watts Library**

**Attendees:**

Tia Rushing, Virginia Fenstermaker, Poppy Elshaug, Deanna Erhardt, Stephenie West, Marcee Cousins, Megan Moon, Bobbi Ann Ogburn, Kimberly Shrader, Megan Anderson, Jessica Townsend, Nikki Tetz, Erin Frugia, Ivy Freimuth

**Call to Order:**

* Meeting called to order at 7:03 p.m. by Tia Rushing

**Guest Speaker:**

* Mrs. Jen Stearns presented on the following:
  + **Volunteer Appreciation Tea**: April 16, 2-3 p.m. will be hosted with support increased student participation. Mrs. Moga will provide child care for littles that are not school age.
  + **Earth Day campus cleanup:** We have traditionally done this on a Saturday. We are trying to broaden and increase participation by moving this to an after-school timeframe. Make this more of a community event. We will also provide a BBQ during the event.
  + **Teacher Appreciation Week**: May 6-10 will include students and we are doing the Greatest Teachers on Earth theme. We will decorate the staff lounge. May 10 would be a picnic lunch supported for GWPO volunteers. We are offering students the opportunity to participate, as encouraged:
    - Monday: bring a flower
    - Tuesday: donate school supply
    - Wednesday: draw a picture
    - Thursday: bring a snack
    - Friday: write an appreciation card

There are 25 certified staff members and would welcome (5) $5 gift cards donated for the prize wheel.

* + **Spring Auction**: Support promoting the educator experiences. We are also doing lawn signs to showcase the activities GWPO has supported to educate parents.
  + **Budget Meeting May 29:** May 24 deadline for staff special spending requestsform submitted
* Jessica Townsend and Nikki Tetz presented on the following:
  + We are inviting third grade parents to attend the OPPO meetings through the end of the year to become familiar with board members, budget, etc.
    - Next Wednesday, April 10, 7 p.m. is next meeting (second Wednesday in the library)
    - You can vote at the rest of the meetings and the following meeting would be the vote for board members. Nominees are being accepted for a one-year term.
    - Next year, we are taking over all of the fundraising in a collective pool (versus funds separated by grade)
    - For any additional questions contact [OttoPetersenPresident@gmail.com](mailto:OttoPetersenPresident@gmail.com)
* Ivy Freimuth
  + Need volunteers for Talent Show on May 3, 5:30 p.m. arrival for roles that include check-in, bake sale, behind the curtain

**President’s Report: Tia Rushing**

* Bright SchoolKitz®: school supply kits delivered to school and to kids home to eliminate back to school shopping. GWPO to consider for implementation next year with Bobbi Ann Ogburn to investigate further:
  + When do the kits arrive?
  + Labelling for supplies?
  + Are GW school supply lists available for next year?
* Call for board position nominees for treasurer and vice president that do not have other nominees
  + Voting Thursday, May 2, 7 p.m. meeting (moving due to fourth grade performance on May 1)
* Teacher Appreciation Week
  + GWPO will lead the May 10 luncheon
    - Perfect Potluck to be created by Jessica Townsend
    - Onsite event lead May 10 will be Stephenie West 11 a.m.- 1 p.m.
  + GWPO will schedule a later date to offer an all-staff treat date

**Treasurer’s Report: Deanna Erhardt**

* Deanna Erhardt presented the financial report, including current account balances:
  + 12-month certificate: $19,160.32
  + Checking: $12,376.44
  + Savings: $247.97
  + Money market savings: $52,195.66

**Spring Auction (April 13): Poppy Elshaug**

* Volunteer sign-up distributed and posted to Facebook
* The catalog is being distributed to students on May 4
* Next work session April 9, 7 p.m. – Virginia Fenstermaker house

**Lead Reports:**

* N/A

**School District Updates:**

* There are three superintendent candidates and the next meeting will vote the final selection in.
* Next week is a budget planning meeting.

**Old Business:**

* N/A

**Special Spending Request Vote:**

* N/A

**Adjournment**

Tia Rushing adjourned the meeting at 8:10 p.m.

**Upcoming District Meetings:**

Scappoose School District Board Meeting April 8, 6:30 p.m. District office

**Upcoming Grant Watts Events:**

* No school April 5, April 12
* 23rd Annual Spring Auction, April 13
* Volunteer Appreciation Tea, April 16
* Kinder Connect April 30

**Next Meeting: Thursday, May 2, 2019 | 7 p.m.**