**Grant Watts Parent Organization**

**March Meeting Minutes**

**Wednesday, March 6, 2019**

**7 p.m. | Grant Watts Music Room**

**Attendees:**

Virginia Fenstermaker, Poppy Elshaug, Deanna Erhardt, Stephenie West, Marcee Cousins

**Call to Order:**

* Meeting called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Poppy Elshaug

**Guest Speaker:**

* Mrs. Jen Stearns presented on the following:
  + New OBOB list has been published for grades 3-5; feedback from OBOB offered an opportunity to create a committee that will provide advance review of the books and increase transparency.
    - Can we curate 2-3 parent volunteers to join this committee alongside Mrs. Stearns to conduct publication read and review structure?
    - The committee will read all (15) books by April 15 and gather at the end of April for review session that will provide transparent information ahead of end of school
  + Night of the Notables is tomorrow, March 7
  + Consider scheduling in-person briefing with Mitch Neilson and the incoming superintendent for briefing regarding fundraising vision and philosophy given previous concerns
  + Annual campus cleanup scheduled April 22, 3-6 p.m. with support from Foursquare which will include building benches near the kindergarten wings
    - Grace Christian Children’s Center will also support the river rock streams
    - St. Wenceslaus will support prepping the garden area
  + Staff appreciation May 6-10 planning to commence in April
* Stephenie West presented on idea to support a community rummage sale to support funding that would be allocated to the school garden in development
  + As a next step, Mrs. Stearns to secure approval for this activity and Stephenie to present comprehensive proposal during April GWPO meeting

**President’s Report: Poppy Elshaug for Tia Rushing**

* GWPO continues to seek parent volunteers for 2019-2020 board positions. Poppy Elshaug intends to run for president and Virginia Fenstermaker intends to run for secretary.
* The following channels will be used to broadcast a call for nominations:
  + Auction announcement / presentation
  + The Howler
  + Tuesday folders (GWPO activity highlights per month)
  + Facebook page
  + Consider teacher communication
  + Consider Kinder connect as a touchpoint (April 30)

**Treasurer’s Report: Deanna Erhardt**

* Deanna Erhardt presented the financial report, including current account balances:
  + 12-month certificate: $19,151.37
  + Checking: $12,436.83
  + Savings: $247.97
  + Money market savings: $52,191.23
* The Hearts & Arrows dance made approximately $600 profit

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

* Progress update
* Projects
* Next meeting March 19, 7 p.m. (Grant Watts Library)

**Lead Reports:**

* Walks-a-Lot: Need Wednesday volunteers for last recess 12:35-2:20 p.m.

**School District Updates:**

* Safety presentation was well attended with approximately 80 members, offered by Sgt. Troy Gainer

**Old Business:**

* N/A

**Special Spending Request Vote:**

* N/A

**Adjournment**

Poppy Elshaug adjourned the meeting at 8:45 p.m.

**Upcoming District Meetings:**

Scappoose School District Board Meeting March 11, 6:30 p.m. District office

**Upcoming Grant Watts Events:**

* Spring Break, March 25-29
* 23rd Annual Spring Auction, April 13

**Next Meeting: Wednesday, April 3, 2019 | 7 p.m.**