

Joslin PTA Executive Board Meeting Feb

Agenda Date: February 18, 2016

Members Present

Jennifer Pace, Michelle Degon, Summer McKinnon, Ana Lawrence, Phoebe Hale, Sara Villanueva, Christina Erickson, Rhonda McGaughey

Call to order motioned by:	Michelle Degon
Call to order seconded by:	Sara Villanueva
Motion to approve meeting minutes:	Christina Erickson
Approval of previous minutes seconded:	Jennifer Pace

Treasurer's Report

Current balance:	As of 2/17/2015 \$4,889.70
Credits since last report:	12/22/2015 Check #1002 \$45 for Pizza Party for PreK winning Membership Contest. 12/22/2015 Check #1001 \$100 Desiree Acosta for Mini Grant. Dividend +\$.21
Debits since last report:	None.
Outstanding debits/credits:	On 2/17/2016 I wrote a check for \$100 for Symanthia Harris for receipts turned in for a Mini Grant. Check has not cleared yet.

Budget concerns / changes / updates:	None
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Officers' Reports

President:	<p>Dear Ana Maria Lawrence,</p> <p>Congratulations on earning the 2015 President's List Award!</p> <p>This significant award represents that by December 19, 2015, Joslin Elementary PTA had achieved Active Status with Texas PTA and recruited more members than you had all of last year!</p> <p>In honor of your accomplishment, Joslin Elementary PTA will be recognized on Texas PTA's social media outlets and will be given special recognition in this year's Superintendent's PTA Report Card.</p> <p>It is important that you let your members know that not only do they belong to the largest child advocacy organization in the state, but they also belong to one of the most successful local PTAs in the state! As such, we have attached the President's List Award, a badge of honor that we encourage showcasing loud and proud! Share it in your PTA emails, on your social media channels and your PTA's website. Notify your school district of the distinguished honor and encourage them to share the good news.</p> <p>The year is not over yet and there are still Membership and Communications Awards that Joslin Elementary PTA might be eligible for. Check http://www.txpta.org/my-pta/awards/local-council-pta-awards/.</p> <p>We hope you and your team plan to attend Summer Leadership Seminar July 22-24, 2016 in San Antonio! We have many exciting workshops and events planned for you. Registration opens in April! And, if your PTA earned the Texas STAR Award, your name badge will have a special emblem on it applauding that achievement!</p>
Vice President:	
Secretary:	
Historian:	<p>Sara is ready to do our next newsletter and is soliciting information for it. She will compile it. When do we want to publish it? Target date: early April</p> <p>Topics: spring dance on 5/13/16: solicit volunteers, donations; increased membership award; reports of fall</p>

	<p>festival with thank yous to parents and sponsors; mini-grants awarded thus far; soliciting board members for open positions; registration and parent cloud information; ask Karen Wright about plant & plays over the summer; box tops (link to our Web site if you want)</p>
Parliamentarian:	<p>PTA mixer possibilities - Phoebe will create an evite and give it to Summer to publish to parents. She will also try to get a discount for participants. Possible dates: March or April, separate from a board meeting day. Pace will do a doodle poll to figure out a date that works for the board.</p>
Legislative Chair:	n/a
Membership Chair:	n/a
School staff:	<p>Box Tops: As of 2/17/2016 we are 54 sheets away from our 300 sheet contest! I will turn Box Tops in March 1. This is a year long program, so please keep collecting them!</p>
Principal:	<p>All thank you posters were delivered. From our last meeting, I took responsibility for surveying parents on PTA involvement, such as where would they like to meet, what time they would prefer to meet. I have not done this yet, but will plan to include this in my next newsletter, in which I will also solicit PTA nominations for next year.</p> <p>PTA mini grant form has been updated to include that grant applicants are required to participate in the fall or spring PTA fundraiser. I have a draft mini-grant form available for your review.</p> <p>Staff has been notified of PTA mini grant availability and procedures. Summer and I will work on PTA bylaw revisions this summer. Considering that PTA pays \$50 in annual dues to the ACPTA, and \$4.50/pp for Texas PTA and National</p>

	<p>PTA, I propose that PTA consider raising the membership fee to \$15 per family, and \$12 per teacher, \$7 for classified staff. We would offer a discount for following on FB and/or Twitter. Summer will add that to the membership form. PTA membership with activity fee on school supply list.</p> <p>I would also like to solicit PTA support for either the 3rd or 4th staff appreciation luncheon. The PTA will provide a cold cut/sandwich bar for the 3rd nine weeks on 3/11/16. They will also pick one day during teacher appreciation week to provide treats for the teachers.</p>
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Follow Up on Previous Business/Tasks	
PTA Bylaw revision	Mrs. McKinnon & Ms. Pace will work on this during the summer. Any interested PTA Board members are welcome to help. We know how busy your schedules are. We will be prepared to present the revised bylaws at the beginning of next school year.
Task:	Social media and web site thank yous are up! http://www.joslinelementary.org/our-partners.html
New Business	
Spring Fling Dance Planning	<p>We will need to get donations for food. Mrs. Pace will email the list of things that we're trying to obtain.</p> <p>Should entry fees will remain the same: \$5 for the first child and \$2.50 each additional child?</p> <p>We will raise the food prices slightly.</p> <p>Should we change the times? 5:30-8:30</p> <p>Show Freaky Friday in background on stage screen. Rhonda will try to find a copy.</p>
Board Positions for the 2016-2017 School Year	We will need a Secretary, President

Mini Grants	<p>Review past & pending mini-grants for the 2015-2016 school year. Mrs. Wright would like \$100 for the bounce house for track & field day. The board unanimously voted to approve.</p> <p>A google sheet has been created to help PTA track mini grants. The link to the google sheet is below. A link will also be included on the PTA wiki.</p> <p>https://docs.google.com/a/austinisd.org/spreadsheets/d/1IDft92G1CDMSj1k-g2HZHfj_LDNoJq-kfYxIVDhtRsk/edit?usp=sharing</p>
New or upcoming events/activities:	

Tasks to complete before next meeting	Person(s) Responsible
Ms. Pace to set up Doodle Poll for the PTA Parent Mixer in April	Jennifer Pace
Set up spring fling dance planning google doc	Jennifer Pace
Let Ms. Pace know if your board membership intention for next year	All Board Members
Look for a Freaky Friday movie dvd prior to the spring dance	Rhonda McGaughey
Create a PTA newsletter to distribute in April	Sara Villanueva