# Lowrie Primary School PTA General Meeting Minutes 9-25-13

Call to order: 6:30

**Welcome** and intros.

## I. Approval of minutes

Motion by Gail Anderson to approve minutes from 8-28-13. Second. All in favor.

# 2. President's report (Chelsea Martin)

- Chelsea attended PTA Leadership training led by state PTA
- Opportunity for others to attend training on Oct. 5, 2013 Rob Saxton will be presenting

## 3. **Budget** (Josh Dalglish)

- Josh passed around copies of proposed budget.
- · Vote will be at October meeting
- Budget has been broken down into more specific categories than last year
- Would like as much feedback as possible on budget
- Kishore Kollu did the PTA audit thank you!

## 4. **Principal's report** (Patrick Meigs)

- Excited to see so many parents in attendance at PTA meeting. Thanks!
- Headphones have been purchased
- Conferences coming up Oct. 7, 8 & 9; online sign-up coming soon
- New hire Instructional Coordinator she will start early October
- Thanks to Marta McGuire for coordinating McMenamin's concert again big success
- Great start to year 2 at Lowrie!

## 5. Standing business

#### a. Fall Carnival

- Friday, October 25, 6-9 p.m. @ Lowrie
- \$5/family + can of food or other non-perishable
- Carnival-type games, booths mostly in gym
- Honor Society students from Wilsonville High will staff most booths

## 6. Oregon PTA President (Susan Hamann)

- She is trying to visit all local units to collect ideas
- Of Lowrie we are doing things no other PTA is doing!
- State PTA is working on building partnerships at state level to represent parents
- Currently, Oregon PTA has about 15,000 members would love to see growth!

- One goal is to provide families with forums to help understand current issues in schools (example: common core)
- Also working to engage diverse families

# 7. Open topics

# a. Budget Discussion

- How do we identify priorities?
- Questions/ideas: should we set an amount of money to aim for each year? Should we give people an opportunity to submit proposals?
- Conclusion: Marta McGuide, Travis Tadema, Patrick Meigs will meet to discuss and bring back info to October general meeting

# b. PTA Suggestion Box

- Idea to have an anonymous suggestion box
- Discussion around who would field questions/make decisions
- Conclusion: Jennifer Dalglish and Kishore Kollu will bring idea to October general meeting

# Meeting adjourned 7:46 p.m.

Notes submitted by Gail Anderson, Secretary.