

Creekside PTSA Board Meeting Minutes  
November 17, 2020 - 7:00 PM

Location: Join Zoom Meeting  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6507888325> - Meeting ID: 650 788 8325

**Attendees:** Karen Rajtar, Jen Nakamura, Krista Wood, Laura Hassel, Minal Ghassemieh, Nikki Edwards, Jane Lauckner, Karen Hoetzel, Lindsey Ebright, Jennifer Gruz, Jessica Fleming. *No sign in sheet as it is virtual.*  
No sign in sheet due to virtual meeting.

Meeting called to order at 7:01 PM, quorum present.

### **Creekside Report**

Stephanie Wright, PBSES Coach

**Kindness Club** started last year and like to continue monthly family participation. Ideas are students doing a video, showing a bingo board what they've done, ways to spread comminute cheer and doing kind acts. Can use flip grid and promote in the e-news partnering with Krista for comms and Karen for website.

### **Committee Chairs Reports**

#### **Book Fair**

Sara Riley & Sasha Pallot

Will be a virtual drive thru. Looking for 3 volunteers 3-7:30 PM. No cash accepted and get signage out of storage to direct traffic. Will promote on social, e-news and room parent flyer. Will have prizes.

#### **Picture Day**

JoLee Liepman

Partnering with Lifetouch. Will do sign up genius for volunteers, need to wear masks and be 6 feet apart. Dolores to send anything needed to teachers. Will promote with room parents, e-news and flyers.

#### **Destination Imagination**

Do not have a chair.

#### **Science Night**

Jane Lauckner

Folks need to sign up for a bag and names will be checked off. Blurb going in e-news to get people excited and sign up.

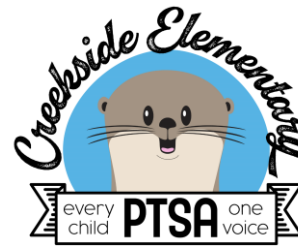
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### **Presidents' Report:**

Jane Lauckner & Minal Ghassemieh

- Ideas for class engagements/socialization.
  - What is working for classes to foster community? Ask to send ideas to room parents to share out.
- Bank account update
- Ways to celebrate Tera
- K/1<sup>st</sup> grade: Ask from Tera to provide dixie cup dispensers and cups. Jane to go back as it's a district responsibility and they have budget for this.
- Dyslexia Resolution – see appendix A

**MOTION: A motion was made by Minal Ghassemieh to approve Creekside PTSA October Dyslexia Awareness month and resolution document. The motion was seconded by Laura Hassel; attendees voted - motion carries.**



### **Vice Presidents' Report:**

Nikki Edwards & Jennifer Gruz

- Membership to date is 355 members, just over 50%.
- The raffle seemed to be successful in boosting membership. The winners were Janet MacDonald and Sarah Riley.
- Their gifts were delivered on Nov 11th, and they were both so excited to have won!
- Now that the raffle is over, we can publish the raffle results in the E-News and our media channels. Can use first name and last initial.
- Coordinate on business reach out so same do not get contacted more than once.
- Nicki will solicit restaurants.
- Can we send a blanket emails in database to reach out for new members.

### **Treasurer's Report:**

Jessica Fleming

- Monthly banking report  
The beginning bank balance on October 1, 2020 was \$67,471.68 and the ending balance on October 31, 2020 was \$110,070.44.

### **Vice President of Fundraising:**

Jen Nakamura & Jennifer kim

- Otter-Thon: Challenge seeing is not sure everyone is reading comms and cannot reach out to teachers due to teachers union to ask them to promote in classes
- % was a lot lower for participation
- Company Banners have been taken down and returned with all thank you notes written.
- Top 3 teachers will receive prizes on Wednesday Nov 18
- Grade level prizes will be distributed on dec 3 for material pickup

### **Vice President of Volunteers Report:**

Karen Hoetzel & Lindsey Ebright

- Caring through sharing has a new date.
- Collected some Room parent success stories and want to share with BOD.

### **Vice President Communications Report:**

Krista Wood

- Drive-By Halloween Bash – Have left over funds. Great feedback on teacher participation.
- E-News update to streamline e-news and room parent information to try and make easier.
- ISF News - teacher grants due on 11/19. So far have not received any.

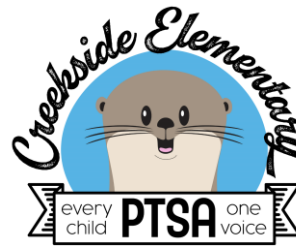
### **Secretary's Report:**

Laura Hassel

- Minutes from October board were submitted and posted
- Board Members Required: PTSA Training: <https://www.wastatepta.org/pta-leaders/leader-resources/>  
User: Every/Password: Child. Send Laura your confirmation or what trainings you completed  
Agree at next board meeting

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**Meeting adjourned at 9:10 PM.**



## Appendix A

**WHEREAS**, dyslexia is a language-based specific learning disability that is neurobiological and hereditary in origin and is unrelated and inconsistent with an individual's intelligence; and

**WHEREAS**, dyslexia is characterized by difficulties with accurate and/or fluent word recognition and by poor spelling and decoding abilities; and

**WHEREAS**, these difficulties typically result from a deficit in the phonological component of language that is often unexpected in relation to other cognitive abilities and the provision of effective instruction; and

**WHEREAS**, secondary consequences of dyslexia may include problems in reading comprehension and reduced reading experience that can impede growth of vocabulary and the acquisition of background knowledge; and

**WHEREAS**, the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction has acknowledged that 15-20% of the population, or 1 in 5 students, has a language based learning disability, that dyslexia is the most common cause of reading, writing and spelling difficulties; and

**WHEREAS**, literacy is a skill critical for students to be prepared for academic, occupational, personal and practical challenges of life in a dynamic global environment; and

**WHEREAS**, students with dyslexia face significant barriers to academic achievement and student well-being as a result of their disability; and

**WHEREAS**, the Creekside PTSA is committed to raising the achievement of all learners regardless of varied ability, identifying and removing obstacles to educational advancement and student well-being, providing equitable access and academic support; and

**WHEREAS**, the Creekside PTSA supports the early screening for dyslexia along with a new comprehensive literacy program that provides explicit, systematic and multi-sensory instruction and evidence-based early interventions to meet the needs of students with dyslexia as outlined in Washington State's E2SSB 6162 law, passed in 2018 and to take effect in Fall 2021; and

**WHEREAS**, the Creekside PTSA acknowledges that students with dyslexia benefit from structured literacy that is evidence-based, explicit, systematic, sequential, cumulative, multi-modal and taught with fidelity to mastery, and believes that with the right tools and proper support students with dyslexia can achieve academic success and personal well-being at Creekside Elementary.

**NOW THEREFORE**, We, the Creekside PTSA Board, proclaim October 2020 as

### **DYSLEXIA AWARENESS MONTH**

at Creekside Elementary

We encourage all families, students, administrators, teachers and staff to join us in this special observance.

Signed this 27 day of October, 2020

Creekside PTSA

