

K-5 STEM at Boren PTA
Meeting Minutes
January 8, 2015, 6:30-8:00pm in the Boren Library

- I. Wendy Warborg called the meeting to order at 6:37pm with 29 attendees
- II. **APPROVAL OF NOVEMBER MEETING MINUTES**
- III. **PRINCIPAL UPDATE**
 - Arts Impact: Staff training on arts integration and Spring PBL projects will be the focus of the 1/14 early release day. Arts Advantage (which is a District effort) will play a role.
 - Recommendation to use Singapore Math for our K-8 school, will require a curriculum waiver (with School Board approval). Ben noted that teachers can use a variety of supplemental materials with the current Math in Focus curriculum, including Singapore Math.
- IV. **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS**
 - President (Wendy Warborg)
 - K-8 Design Team: Shifting to a working group with a focus on curriculum. There is a call out for parents who are interested in joining the Design Team. We are looking for a balance of parents and teachers and are hoping to have a diverse group.
 - Direct Give purchases
 - Positive Discipline class started on 1/7 with 36 attendees
 - 2015-16 PTA Executive positions:
 - Vice President (2 years)
 - Secretary (1 year)
 - BLT (2 years)
 - Vice Treasurer (2 years)
 - Vice President (Rebecca Garcia)
 - Treasurer (Anne Higuera)
 - School scholarship fund of \$3500 was unanimously approved
 - Secretary (Lisa Dawson)
 - Membership update: 175 members (140 voting, 35 non-voting)
 - BLT (Kathleen Voss, Mercedes Diggs)
 - Teachers are using PLCs (Professional Learning Communities) to create project-based learning units (funded by last year's Direct Give)
- V. **COMMITTEE & COORDINATOR REPORTS**
 - a. Auction (Lisa Dawson and Robin Graham, Co-Chairs)
 - Rock 'n' ROLL UP!
 - March 28 at The Hall at Fauntleroy
 - Actively working on procurement and sponsors
 - b. Volunteers
 - Art Walk
 - Garden "green team"
 - c. Advocacy (Alousie Urness)
 - Legislative Report: Focus Day is on 1/19

VI. NEW BUSINESS, QUESTIONS, COMMENTS

- Smarter Balanced Testing (Julie Schmick and Mary Bannister)
 - Presentation can be viewed on the PTA website at <http://k5stempta.org/2015/01/09/smarter-balanced-testing-information/>

VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 1/14 Marination Mai Kai fundraiser
- 1/16 Coffee Chat with Mr. O at 8:30am
- 1/22 Art Walk
- 2/5 PTA meeting

VIII. Meeting adjourned at 7:54pm

Respectfully submitted by Lisa Dawson, PTA Secretary