**PME PTO Meeting Minutes**

**November 20, 2012**

Welcome and Introductions

Treasurer’s report- move to approve budget July ’12-Nov. ’12 by Sara Ellis, second by Jean Muntifering

-an approximate dollar amount of $6,500 was decided to be allocated to PME needs

Motion to approve minutes from October meeting made by Chris Gross, second by Sara Ellis

Motion to approve change in bylaws made by Sara Ellis, second by Tara Berger- Article III (6) was added- The officers of the organization shall be able to spend PME PTO funds for the benefit of the PME, not in excess of $250, by majority vote of the officers, without a vote of the organization as a whole.

PME PTO requests- feedback from each grade level, special education, specialists, and Title 1 was included in a results list of PME needs. 1. Apps for ipads, 2. ipads, 2. Color printer, 2. Classroom computers, 3. Classroom supplies/teacher allocation, 4. SMART boards and need for books for the leveled library. The recommendation was that PTO funds be used to purchase ipad minis for the school. Teachers and parent volunteers gave their input on how useful it would be to have more ipads for the school. After reviewing the budget, costs so far this year, and future expected costs, PTO treasurer and members felt comfortable with a new dollar amount of $10,000 to be spent on 30 ipad minis and covers for each. The district is doing an audit on copier and printer needs, so hopefully the need for a color printer will be taken care of through them. The district is going to be paying for apps for ipads. The PTO still has $5,000 set aside from last year for the leveled library (due to a grant from the S-S Education Foundation that covered the need for books last spring). Motion to approve $10,000 to be used for technology made by Nancy Avery, second by Sara Ellis. This is subject to final approval of District technology staff.

Principal’s report- 4th grade held a wax museum of inventors for the school to see. It was very well received!

-School-wide bingo on Dec. 21st to celebrate positive behavior

-2015 survey results are in- 99.7% feel that the quality of education at PME is good/excellent! (full results are available for those who are interested)

-PME to host Native American dancer/musician in November

-Willow Sweeny was great for faculty, and for parents. Approx. 180 parents attended her presentation.

-Barnes and Noble bookfair for PME & ORE is Sunday, December 9th. Staff will be there from 10-2.

***Next meeting will be Tuesday, January 15, 2013***