

Lakewood PTA General Meeting Minutes

Feb 18th 2010 7:00pm

Call to Order

Posting of the Colors by the Cub Pack 54

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Dec. minutes - approved

President's Report: Michele Matney

- Presentation to DISD Board: last Thursday Michele Matney & Rudy Lopez, representing the Lakewood PTA & SBDM, spoke to the DISD Board regarding the proposal by the Ridgewood Neighborhood Association to annex approximately 400 homes into the Lakewood boundary. DISD is NOT supporting this boundary change & both Michele & Rudy ably spoke against the change. The official vote is next Thursday & a "no" vote is anticipated. More information will follow as it is available.
- Yearbooks are on sale-dedications were sent home today. Purchases & dedications are due Friday the 26th. No extra yearbooks are being ordered so get one NOW!

Principal's Report: Mrs. Thompson

- YMCA Science Camp for the 5th grade is in April. Please send tuition money within the next few weeks.
- TAKS testing: this spring 3rd, 4th & 5th will test: 3rd grade March 3rd and 5th grade April 6th & 7th.
- JL Long classes: today the 5th graders met with Long counselors to pick out classes for the up-coming year. Counselors will also be on the Lakewood campus Feb 26th during the Last Friday Parent Meeting to provide information on Long classes.
- Meet our new Assistant Principal Shawki Freelon at the Last Friday Parent Meeting also!
- SSI testing this year – these are tests that MUST be passed to progress to the next grade
- Bond Package Update: we are scheduled to get: a new roof; remodeled bathrooms, including super hand driers; new classrooms doors that lock from the inside as a security measure; new exterior doors for increased campus security; new chiller, 16 additional parking spaces; new playground equipment & mulch. Construction runs June 2010 through Dec 2010.

Nominating Committee: Kathy Watson

- Members of the 2010 Nominating Committee to seat the 2010-2011 PTA board were voted on. The 2010 Nominating Committee is: Tami Darlington, Maria Hasbany, Michelle Davitt, Tina Meazell, Loren Whiteside with alternates: Julie Walters, Karla Genter.

Lakewood Recycling Fundraiser: Kim Schaeffer

- Used cell phones & printer cartridges collected in the foyer – complete recycling for cartridges & phones. The 1st box submitted yielded \$177. Kim handed out envelopes for people to take to their offices/homes. There are collection boxes in the office and at Whole Foods. Contact Kim at circleway@hotmail.com for additional envelopes.

JL Long Middle School Booster Club: Randy Duke/Randy Patterson

- The Long Sports Booster Club is new this year. Handouts were provided outlining all the Long sports. The 7th & 8th grade girls Volleyball team won district! The 8th grade Football team did very well. They are selling bumper stickers as a fund raiser. Don't forget the Long Run in October.

WWHS IB Program: Dr. Kathy Scherler, Program Development Specialist

- Very detailed presentation regarding the International Baccalaureate Program that Woodrow Wilson is currently applying to be part of. The IB program is scheduled to begin 1 year from now. Pre-IB classes this fall with a full IB diploma effective in 3 years. Handouts were dispersed as well as a power point presentation. Information sessions will be held at WWHS Feb 25th 6-7.
- The 2012 Bond package will add a new math & science wing to WWHS.
- The WW musical is April 15, 16, & 17 with IB informational sessions at 6:00 before the 7:00 musical.
- 4 new academies are scheduled to open at WW: Math, Science & Technology; Business, Banking & Finance; Performing Arts; IB. The academies are open to all students within the boundaries and on an application basis for students outside the WW boundary.
- IB Program was started in Switzerland in 1968 for the families of Ambassadors; only 45 Texas High Schools offer the IB program.
- A question & answer period was offered.

New Business: none

Old Business: none

Adjourn

Fantastic & fabulous 5th grade performance!