

24 in Attendance

**KLES PTA General Meeting March 19 , 2012 6:30–8:00**

1. Welcome & Introductions (Tammy Kerr – 2 mins)
2. Approve February Minutes (Clare Johnson- 1 mins)
3. PTA Board elections (Melissa Joy –9 mins)
  - a. Candidate speeches (Shannon Willis, Michelle Kern, Diana Napier running for vice president)
  - b. Voting – Shannon Willis and Michelle Kern were voted in as VP's
4. Budget (Shannon Willis – 6 mins) next month talk about things we want to hold over for next year, or things to be spent this year. Think big.
5. Share PYP projects (Lindsay Petty- 13 mins) talking about what she used the funds for with PYP – showed video of classes' PYP of "What Makes Something Beautiful".
6. Principal's Address (Barbara Gunther – 12 mins) PYP is about concepts (40 year learning) – facts are important to learn but the bigger understandings, the conceptual understandings, are the important things. What we're really trying to move kids towards, to be able to relate these to their lives. Ms. Teady is out on maternity leave, so substitute is Candace Brown. Ms. Bayert is pregnant as well. Next month will be talking about staffing. Will be moving towards Spanish as the world language. In the process of partnering with Metro to have field students come out to KLES. Issues in Church parking lot – use the perimeter of Church, don't want to be cut off from St. Jude's parking lot. May 24<sup>th</sup> is Ms. Dean's retirement party – everyone is invited. Outdoor lab will be funded through the schools, it's a tiered system based on free and reduced lunch (that's at 35%). KLES needs to raise money to pay for each of those students (about \$300/student). April 12<sup>th</sup> is a fund raiser with ARC (during science fair). Lone Star Steakhouse fund raiser is coming, and a Jamba Juice fundraiser maybe on field day. Next meeting will talk about "Make your voice heard"
7. IB process (Barbara Gunther and ) not yet accredited. Talked about what the IB is – more based upon concepts.
8. Love Your School (Tammy Kerr – 1 min) went from \$600 at last meeting, to \$5000.
9. Teacher Appreciation ( Michele Kern- 1 min) free to do anything in your own classroom May 7<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup>
10. King Soopers Cards ( Molly/ Ethan -2 mins) last month was over \$900.
11. Minor Fundraiser/ Skate City ( Amanda Camacho- 2mins) next event is skate city (April 27<sup>th</sup> )
12. Extra Curriculars ( Steph/ Julia-2 mins) 192 kids have participated in extra curriculars. Just have one more art workshop. Not going to do the Jefferson Foundation show – there is no more money (used all \$8000).

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13. Science Fair (Tori Rommel –3 mins) 177 kids turned in preliminary registration, still missing some final registrations. Trying to partner with Lockheed Martin, they may be providing some judges. T-shirt company has been very busy, will put in order on Friday.
14. Mom's and Muffins ( Tammy Kerr- 2 mins) are there better ideas for this event? Maybe robo call is the better way to advertise
15. Family Fun Run (Dana Byrd/Tammy – 1 min) moving along
16. Dolphin Dash (Tammy Kerr – 1 min) looking for ways to raise money, get more families to do this
17. Earth Day (Jennifer Cone /Chris Willis – 14 mins) put together a bunch of pictures from the garden. There were enough pumpkins for all the kids who planted them. Want to try to get kids together to clean up. Would like to buy actual plants for the flower bed (Kindergarten will have xeric plants for butterflies). Wanted to put the whole garden in pumpkins. Need to buy more seeds, top soil, straw net. Could use a helper in the spring and summer to water. Not going to do seeds in the classroom, wait till it warms up a little bit to do plantings. Perhaps plant a tree, but maybe not because if school is rebuilt the trees might be lost.
18. Yearbook (Cassie 1 min) think about how to get pictures next year, it was a lot of work to upload. Maybe the students could get involved, perhaps a student photographer for the yearbook. Yearbook is complete, tried to make it well rounded.

Minutes Recorded by Clare Johnson, PTA Secretary March 20<sup>th</sup>, 2012.