

GAMBLE MONTESSORI PTO MINUTES

Meeting opened and everyone was welcomed by Pres Diane Williams at 6:05pm.

Approval of Minutes

No corrections or changes. Motion was made to approve the JANUARY Meeting minutes by Paulette Brown and seconded by Karen Weber. Minutes were accepted as printed.

PRINCIPAL'S MINUTE

- *89 students selected Gamble as their 1st choice (6th graders to be 7th graders)*
- *220 selected as their 2nd choice.*
- *This is the BEST position ever for our school.*
- Leadership Scholars- several parents are now enrolled in this great program which begins this Thursday.
- State Report Card Update—Mr. Jose will present a more complete review after presenting it to the staff. It was kind of a “mixed bag”. Our Graduation Rate went up to a “C” (4 yr and 5 yr).
- This was also our 3rd Consecutive Year of having “Value Added A”
- High School/Middle School Math—not too good and we need to GROW these scores.
- *Diane asked about WayFinding Signs—some have been added. Can a sign be placed on Felicity? The frustration surrounding this still lies. Maybe we can put a sign on the triangle at Felicity or just build a sign. We will go ahead and look into building a sign.*
- *Diane asked about the painting of lockers upstairs. We are still aiming for the summer to get this completed but it will still largely depend on funds for this project. Also, the crumbled concrete on the driveway will also be repaired.*

PRESIDENT'S PORTION (Diane Williams)

- *Treasurer's Report – Paulette Brown*
- Balance as of January 2016= \$665.66 + 5.00 (Membership Donation fee) for a **TOTAL of**

\$671.66

- Winter Clothing Drive Report- There were at least 6 boxes of clothes that were collected and 16 boxes of Food. These much needed items were delivered by TOM HAID to Westwood United Methodist Church Pantry. Thank you Tom!
- Hockey Game- This event will be scheduled by the Taylors or Grovers?. There was interest to see The Cyclones.
- This Thursday morning at 11 am, there will be a Volunteer Group that will be doing a site visit for a Basketball Court to possibly be installed. We may be selected for the project.
- Skating Party Fundraiser (Jody reported). It will be on March 25th, Friday prior to Spring Break at the Fun Factory in Norwood. Time: 5-7:30 pm. She would like assistance in handing out flyers and parents to attend. The Fun Factory will host a pizza party for the grade with the most students in attendance (*\$8 fee to skate, pizza and drink/\$5 fee for parents*)
- Jody—ILT is in need of 2 Parent Representatives.
- Diane again asked about interest in OFFICERS for 2016-2017. A Nominating Committee will be formed (Tom).
- Refreshments needed for The Spring Concert which will be Wednesday, May 4th.
- Teacher Appreciation—When? Week of May 3rd. We would like to supply lunch 3 days.
- Chipotle-waiting to hear back
- Olive Garden on Colerain, a parent manages
- Hot Head Burrito-Caprise will look into
- Maggiano's- Maria will look into
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- **BARB OTTEN---POWERSCHOOL PRESENTATION**

Meeting was adjourned at 7:06pm.

Next PTO Meeting

April 12th, 2016 at 6:00 pm

Submitted by: Maria Bates