

Bromwell PTA
October 1, 2013
Minutes

- 1) Welcome – Gregg Rippey
- 2) Budget - Dave Milliken
 - a) Objectives: provide a consistent faculty grant while providing for year-to-year classroom level expenses
 - b) Runthrough of budget: overall, we project slightly lower revenue but also lower expenses, very similar to last school year's budget
 - c) Numerous questions on how much money PTA has on hand right now, why we are predicting that we'll spend slightly more than we'll bring in, and why some years do better than others
 - d) Additional discussion: What do we expect state funding to do in future years? No way to know. Do we expect any shortfall in the upcoming school remodeling? That spending shouldn't have anything to do with PTA fundraising and CSC budgeting.
 - e) Vote: 12 in favor, 0 opposed: the budget is passed as proposed; note that the faculty grant for 2014-15 will be voted on during the February or March general PTA meeting
- 3) Fundraising update – Erin Sorce
 - a) Annual fund is underway, as is auction planning; March 22 being considered for auction (pending Principal and teacher input), venues being looked at; other programs like Target Red Card being researched for additional fundraisers
- 4) Community Building – Jennifer Turner
 - a) Bromwell is 1 of 2 recipients in the new Whole Foods bag donation program running until January; Walk to School day Oct 9, Noodles community dinner Oct 22
- 5) New business/questions
 - a) Tracking volunteer hours: could be valuable in grant applications, to share resources, and to avoid redundancy; anyone knowing of an online tool that would be helpful can contact Gregg
 - b) With proxy voting in PTA meetings prohibited in bylaws, are there other ways for people to participate who can't attend in person, such as Skype or conference call? Gregg to pursue
 - c) The importance of community building overall
- 6) Adjourn – next meeting is Tuesday, November 5, time to be determined