**Parent Teacher Organization**

**KES General Membership Meeting**

**Minutes**

**Wednesday, March 13, 2024 at 7:30 am**
**KES Cafeteria**

**Agenda**

1. **Welcome and Introductions**
2. **Review/Approve Jan 2023 Executive Board Meeting Minutes** (attached) - Approved
3. **Treasurer's Report** (attached)
   - **Funds Raised:**
     1. School Pictures – Approx $3k
     2. 5th grade – Approx $2k raised from pancake breakfast and $2k raised for spirit wear
     3. Science Fair – raised just under $1k
     4. Other Fundraising – SquareOne art proceeds included, KES merch – includes proceeds from recent holiday sale.
   - **Expenses:**
     1. Garden – Margi Fall and Winter hours now included.
     2. Spring Fundraiser – paid down payment for caterer.
     3. PARP – prizes were purchased.
4. **Certificates of Appreciation**
5. **WIN Time and Q&A – Kim Buckley**
   - No new learning as a whole group
   - It's an active time; small group work; individual; lots of science recently
   - Make up work – assessments
   - Varies by teacher and grade
   - 40 minutes long – one period
   - RTI math and speech happens at the same time
   - Mostly all are doing small groups
   - Not only remediation – also give challenging work

6. **Committee Updates:**
   1. **PARP** – Sharing Assembly with High Schoolers was a fun event to kick off PARP; Reading Logs went home, This Fri Wear a Word day, Next Fri PJ day, Character Day 3/27 and Starry Story Night 3/20. Book swap was a success (extra books will be donated to Community Center).

2. **Spring Fundraiser** – Invitations coming home next week, can buy tickets tomorrow. Babysitting through Elevate, Auction items, etc.
3. **Yearbook** – order now
4. **SEPTO** – 3rd grade Prospector Theater: Be an Includer. Monthly meetings (alternating zooms) last Tues of the month.
5. **Plant Sale** – info out last week – closes 3/28
6. **Yankee Game** – info on tickets coming soon
7. **Bingo** – info coming soon
8. **5th Grade** – Lion King – 4/26 (checking if it's only 5th grade parents invited). Two performances that evening (40 minutes each). Can it be documented? Connect with Brown Bag (they do Variety Show and Moving Up). Send feedback as we may revamp for next year.
9. **District Budget** – Instead of coming to school PTO meetings they will present on 5/13 at JJMS and 14th at JJHS. Budget vote on 5/20.
10. **Volunteers** – Need more volunteers for next year – on Exec Board and individual committees.

2. **Other –**
    1. Can the PTO have a school related bulletin board to promote events? We can still do backpack mail but the "packets" will go out once per month in one big packet. One per family (home with the youngest). Think about getting a system to send texts (but think about best way to get info to parents - - Facebook, Insta, What's App, etc.). Signs for each event? Kristen can speak with Cristy about how we can post or get info out other than digitally.
    2. ASA – can parents correspond with the teachers? Not really – the teachers are third party facilitators so if parents have questions – reach out the ASA email. ASA lead will look into if teachers can send an email introducing themselves and the class at the start of the next session.