

**Patterson PTA
General Meeting
Minutes
February 12, 2015**

Members Present: Elaine Stecklein, Colleen Garrison, Danielle Minnerick, Holly Duck, Liz Lawrence, Rita Malloy, Elizabeth Carroll, Jennifer Cole, Karen Young, Becky Pantano, Sarah Stevens, Emily Dobry, Laura Remack, Rakhee Raveendran, Jorie Snyder, Holly Morlock, Natasha Ditoro, J. King, Melissa Tolla, Sheri Klaich, Gretchen Greever, Erin Sulkin, Gira Rajan

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:32 a.m. by Elaine Stecklein

II. Guest Speaker ~ Dr. Karen Sullivan, District 204 Superintendent

Dr. Sullivan – Power Point presentation

Introduction – she came to District 204 in 1995.

District Data: There were 8,000 students, growing at a rate of 2,000 per year. 59% of the families in the District live in Naperville. We are the 3rd largest school district in the state of Illinois. Total enrollment is 28,500.

District Goals:

1. Help each student achieve academically
2. Hire and retain a high quality, effective teaching staff
3. Manage resources efficiently and effectively
4. Be student and community focused
 1. 5 Essentials Survey

District Update:

Common Core Standards: are outcomes not curriculum or text books.

PARCC – this replaces ISAT/PSAE. Testing windows are March and May. Scores will arrive in September.

Teacher Evaluation Changes

Bring Your Own Technology

1. ELO =Expanded Learning Opportunities online

Hot Topics:

Elementary Air Conditioning – 25% of the classrooms will be air conditioned. Engineers decide the best placement.

Senate Bill 16: - Will reduce state funding for IPSD 204 by \$10.1 million annually.

Now it's refiled as Senate Bill 1. There will be a discussion forum in February.

The old Senate Bill 1 is related to pension cost shift. Stay tuned.

We can download the IPSD 204 Mobile App from the App store or Google

Visit www.ipSD.204.org watch 204TV.org

Class Sizes: there are some classes with 31 or 32 students.

III. Approval of January 2015 General Meeting Minutes

The January 2015 General Meeting Minutes were filed as written.

III. **Principal's Report ~ Michele Frost**

Open House was a success!

Remember the 5 Essentials Survey – we have until the end of March 12, 2015

The Friendship Parties and Sock Hop are tomorrow (2/13/15).

The Variety Show is next Friday, February 20 in the evening.

Parent –Teacher conferences are on Thursday Feb. 26. Contact your teacher now if you would like a slot.

Friday Feb. 27 is School Improvement Day and Airtastic is having a Fund Raiser then.

Young Author books are due on Wednesday Feb. 18.

PARCC Testing in March and again in May – watch the announcements for specific dates. Please also make sure your student is on time. Testing should be done by 1:00 p.m.

IV. **President's Report ~ Elaine Stecklein**

~Election of nominating committee:

Officers for next year's board will be elected at the April meeting.

Five members (and 2 alternates) will nominate for the vacant officers position.

Emily Dobry motioned to elect the following people for Nominating Committee:

Megan Fastabend

Rita Malloy

Julie Heitmann

Janie McBrayer

Esther DeSouza (alternate)

Elaine Stecklein (alternate)

The motion was seconded and approved. All the Board positions are open.

V. **Treasurer's Report ~ Becky Swartz**

\$26,255 is our current checking balance.

There is approximately \$5000 to carry over.

VII. **Vice Presidents Reports**

- **Finance/Fund Raising** ~ Danielle Minnerick
 - ~Airtastic fund raiser on Friday Feb. 27 (no school)
 - ~ No restaurant night this month.
 - ~ Chipotle is in March
- **Administrative/Service** ~ Colleen Garrison
 - ~Feb 13: Friendship Party and Sock Hop
 - ~Meetings are occurring about the 5th grade celebration which usually occurs on the last day of school. So far, there are 12 volunteers.
 - ~ Yearbook order forms have gone out and email confirmations follow.
- **Enrichment/Social** ~ Liz Lawrence
 - ~Science Fair is April 22. Watch ListServ. It is not competitive.
 - ~Variety Show is Feb. 20
 - 89 kids – 41 acts Mr. Miller and Ms. O'Brien are the MC's.

VIII. **Old Business**

None

IX. **New Business/ Open Discussion**

Meeting adjourned at 10:58 a.m. Next meeting is Thursday, March 12 at 9:30 a.m.