

Steller Parent Group 20170411

Meeting Minutes

Call to Order at 6:06 pm.

Greetings and Introductions.

Attendees.

Amy Beck. Angie Southwould. Becky Gerik. Bruce Robson. Charles Wohlforth. Holly Rinehart. Jillaine Heinrich. Kevin Hedin. Mary Kearns. Pat Galvin. Randy Gibbs. Reed Whitmore.

Approval of Agenda.

Click here to view April Agenda.

MOTION: Move Graduation Ceremony earlier in meeting so parents in attendance can discuss and leave for other commitments. Approve April agenda as amended. All in favor. Motion approved.

Approval of Minutes.

Click here to view March Minutes.

MOTION: Approve March minutes as posted/as amended. Motion By: Bruce. Second By: Charles. All in favor. Motion approved.

(Moved from **New Business**) <u>Graduation Ceremony.</u> Discussion.

Discussion that Steller graduation does not seem traditional. Questions about ceremony.

MOTION: Support a mandate by Parent Group for seniors to wear caps and gowns at this years graduation ceremony.

Motion By: Jillaine.

Second By: Mary.

Discussion: Steller tradition has always been to allow seniors to express themselves and choose their individual attire for graduation. Steller has prided themselves on being different and having a graduation ceremony that is different from the norm. In the formal setting of a ceremony, wearing caps and gowns shows the seriousness of the celebration. Though the ceremony may sound casual, the students take their opportunity of self expression seriously and their speeches and slideshows are thoroughly planned out. Motion not passed.

MOTION: Provide funding for seniors who wish to wear caps and gowns. Students will keep the cap and donate the gown back to Steller if requesting reimbursement. Cap \$1600. AMENDMENT: Cap individual reimbursement at \$40.

Motion By: Mary. Second By: Jilane. Motion approved.

Funding Requests.

Treasurer Support. Kevin requests reimbursement for purchase of Parent Group checks and suggests use of bookkeeping services.

MOTION: Ratify use of Bookkeeping Services and reimburse Kevin \$70.25 for the purchase of Parent Group checks. Motion By: Bruce. Second By: Holly. All in favor. Motion approved.

Radio Advertisement. On behalf of Steller Secondary, Haley requests reimbursement of \$1000 for funds used to advertise Steller in a public radio campaign.

MOTION: Reimburse Steller \$1000 for radio ads on NPR. Motion By: Randy. Second By: Holly. All in favor. Motion approved.

Reports.

Principal Report. Reed reporting. Prom. Schedule got changed due to Easter. The venue was changed to AK Discovery Theater. There were some vagrants in the area, which raised concern among parents, but no incidents arose. Students had a great time.

Trips. Ashley and Ken are going to Dominican Republic next month.

Lottery. Fewer incoming 7th grade students than expected. There will be more incoming upper classman to balance that. Reed is looking for a student body of 325. This has resulted in a cut of 1.4 FTE for staff instead of 2.2. One staff is retiring. Decision will be based on programmatic need.

Staff Report. Becky reporting.

All Community Meeting. April 27.

Senior Breakfast. April 28. Graduates and their families are invited to attend. Hope to setup for breakfast after the ACM at the end of the evening before.

Performance. Peer-taught presentation Seussification of Romeo and Juliet. April 28 at 7:00 pm.

Intensives. Becky's Medeivial Fair is for all the entire community. May 18 at 10:30 am to 1:30 pm.

Graduation. May 22 at 3:00 pm. Wendy Williamson Auditorium.

Student Report. Nothing to report.

<u>Treasurer Report.</u> Kevin reporting.

Randy and Karen have been added as check signers on the account.

Distributed Treasurer Report as of 04/11 including Profit and Loss, Profit and Loss by Class, and Balance Sheet.

Available bank balance from 04/11: \$21255.07.

Kevin chose QuickBooks for Windows. Recommend that Parent Group purchase Inuit online backup services for \$10/month.

Amazon Smiles and Fred Meyer Community Awards are still active. EScrip and Carrs have ended their award programs.

Committee Reports.

Website Committee Report. Kevin reporting.

Kevin will organize a meeting for anyone who's interested in being part of the new Website Committee.

Kevin has access to the ASD content management system. It was not an easy process.

<u>Spending Ideas Committee Report.</u> Nothing to report.

New Business.

<u>Graduation Ceremony.</u> (Moved earlier in the agenda)

Comments.

Parent Group received thank you card from a family regarding travel scholarship.

Parent Group will begin using the email address StellerParentGroup@gmail.com.

Future Parent Group Meeting Dates.

May 9, 2017.

Adjourned at 7:45 pm.

Minutes recorded by Angie Southwould.

Upcoming Events:

Sophomore Day on April 15. All Community Meeting on April 27 at 6:00 pm. Senior Breakfast on April 28 at 7:30 am. Parent Group Meeting on May 9 at 6:00 pm. Intensives on May 8-19. Graduation on May 22 at 3:00 pm. Student Led Conferences on May 23-24.