

## PTO General Board Meeting Minutes

February 22, 2016 - Called to order at 8:49am.

### Presentation on Curriculum & Learning

- Kelley Gallt, D181 Asst. Superintendent of Learning
  - Information and news from the Dept. of Learning was shared
    - Explanations of committees and processes
    - New Science curriculum and resources to be implemented (state mandated)
      - Training for staff on 3/3/17
      - Recommended resources are McGraw Hill (grades K-3) and Houghton Mifflin (grades 4-8)- including online parent tool which may not be ready by 2017-2018, but will come into play during the year
    - Health curriculum to be added to 8<sup>th</sup> grade
      - 2017-2018 or 2018-2019
    - New Social Studies curriculum to be implemented (state mandated)
      - Themes to connect and partner with ELA
      - No new resources recommended at this time
  - Shared school improvement process and data analysis
  - Digital Learning Initiative - up for approval
    - 1:1 devices grades 3-8
    - Shared devices at K-2
    - Fee: \$25 K-2, \$75 3-8 to be taken 2018-2019
  - STEAM: Encore & Exploratory Courses new/updated at Middle School
    - Recommendation: Partner with Northwestern U
    - Partnering with D86 for continuity

### General PTO Business

- Vote on New Items
  - Approval of Executive Board Slate for 2017-2018
    - Co-Presidents: Denise Pacioni & Anne Chai
    - VP Fundraising: Kelly Staver
    - VP Community Building: Courtney Schaeffer
    - VP Programs: Shari Cornies
    - Treasurer: Lata Balagangadharan
    - Asst. Treasurer: Amanda Harder
    - Communications: Elizabeth Phelps
    - Recording Secretary: Didi Lewis
  - Approval of SIC Expenditures
    - Request for 30 Boogie Boards from staff \$750.00

- Request for supplies for flexible seating also on table; not voted on at this meeting \$4,000.00
- Discussion on Programs 2017-2018
  - Looking for feedback to streamline programs offered through PTO
    - Survey parents, teachers and kids
    - Also take stock of volunteers and enthusiasm, then edit
- Discussion on Technology Fees
  - Plan is evolving - more information to come!

### Upcoming Important Dates

- 2/24 Bagel Lunch
- 3/3 No School
- 3/10 Pizza Lunch
- 3/19 Variety Show
- 3/27 -3/31 Spring Break

**Adjourned at 10:40 am**