

VPO General Meeting  
April 8th 2019

Principals Report

David Brooks

We have been busy lately but kick off for book fair and poetry night was great! Read and lead is going well. The classrooms are super excited when they get the trophy in their classrooms. Teachers have been doing training- GLAD. It's a way to engage children in literacy. The outcome of those classes for the 1st and 2nd grade teachers has been wonderful. To ease the overcrowding, we are going to bump up the opening of school 10 for us to use with our 5th grade classrooms. The boys and girls will have 4 classrooms of 5th graders next year and Purdy and Harbor Heights preschools will be there also. They will still stay connected by having buddies, maybe some time for our Discovery kids to go over to them and more. We don't have all the answers as of yet, but will have more info later. Thursday one of the new pieces of playground equipment will go in and they will finish that project during spring break. Soon we hope that the rest of the primary fields will be done.

Treasurers' Report

Ryan Lewis

We gave \$2000 for high school scholarships this year.

Parent Council

Nicole Riensche

No report given

VPO Board Openings 2019/20

Karmen Furer

Ballots are going to be put out at next meeting for voting. Please let us know if you would like to be on the board.

Staff Appreciation

Karmen Furer

We are doing Staff Appreciation from May 6th-10th. This is a great way to let our teachers know how much we love them. Every grade has a responsibility for one of the days and more information will come home from your room parent. Please be on the lookout for a signup from your class and from the VPO coming home soon.

Funding Request

Karmen Furer

The Speech team is requesting \$352.68, it's for The Entire World of R Program. Megan made a motion and Marcy gave a 2nd for it and everyone approved up to \$352.68. Thank you to all who were in attendance for making that happen.

Volunteer Opportunities

Brianna

Leverett-Torres

Teacher Appreciation snack day will be April 24th, please sign up to bring something to help our staff feel appreciated.

We had a discussion about the difficulties of volunteering sometimes and a topic that was brought up was a way for people to give money to certain events if they were not going to be able to participate. So for example staff treats. Once a month we do treats in the Staff Lounge for our staff and we know sometimes it can be hard to sign up for things. So we talked about possibly finding a way where families could give money instead so that items could be purchased with that money for that event. We still have to do research on that but will get back to you if that becomes an option.

Another idea that we talked about was gift cards. Many of you have gift cards at home lying around that you haven't or won't use that could be put to good use for the school. For example, during teacher appreciation we give the teachers tickets that they can put in buckets to win prizes. We reach out to businesses and get items donated, do gift card trees etc. It's a fantastic way to keep the teacher morale up. So if you have some gift cards lying around that you know you won't use, please drop them in the vpo mailbox or send them in with your child in an envelope marked VPO and we will put them to good use. This way, we are helping our schools and cleaning out your wallets at the same time:)

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#### Upcoming Events

Root Beer Floats-Watch D.O.G.S	4/10
The Hub Takeover	4/28
Staff Appreciation Week	5-6 to 5-10
Kindergarten Jamboree	5/15
Lunchbox Laboratory Takeover	5/21