

- A. Welcome & Call to Order at 7:04pm
- B. Approval of September 2018 Meeting Minutes – approved
- C. Special Guest Speaker Kathy Pease, Engage 204 Update
 - a. Kathy shared that the process & purpose of the Engage 204 meetings were to advise D204 Board on planning and funding. She shared that IL state funding has changed from attendance-based funding to planning. We have received more funding this year. The D204 priority recommendations are to address: Lower class sizes, Deferred maintenance, Teacher salary bumps, Additional staff (mental health), Locks and intercoms: already started installing, Space for alternative HS and STEPS, Capital maintenance.
- D. Principal's Report
 - a. Just finished 1st quarter; lot of positive feedback from parents on conferences this year. Power PTC gave Brookdale the option to take attendance at conferences – district will give report to see what attendance was; pretty well attended. Sign-up system was better this year. Slight delay from announcement email to active link – IT dept fixed it quickly. Easier because it was connected to Home Access (exact same login & password). K parents had the most trouble – plan to set up Home Access during K orientation.
 - b. Nov is a short month and already talking about end of Quarter 2 (Dec. 21). Winter break is one day longer.
 - c. Plans for rock path: holds a LOT of rocks! During World Cultural Fair families will be able to paint a rock and new families throughout the year. Rocks need to be coated.
- E. President's Report
 - a. School board meeting on the 12th will be discussing arming teachers in our district. Group Moms Against Arming Teachers will be there. Southern IL district submitted resolution – our district decides whether or not they will support. First conversation. State would have to decide if resolution is even allowable. Across the country rural districts have supported.
- F. Vice President's Report
 - a. Book Fair: looking for helpers, especially helping kids making wishlists. Please check out sign up genius. Fliers coming home in backpack mail.
 - b. Mistletoe Market: 19 vendors currently. Bake sale by Gina Howley
 - c. World Cultural Fair: week from tomorrow; dolls should be returned by Monday to get hung. Musical assembly on Thurs afternoon (Winter World Holiday). 3-4 performances during WCF night, taekwondo, 15-18 displays from families, passports, Mary to ask teachers to put in their weekly newsletters (need setup help and food runners; HS need service hours for crafts); flags are up and kids getting excited.
 - d. After School Enrichment: Colleen proposals going out on Sat morning. Anyone can volunteer to run a class – you DO get paid. Official sign up will go out right after xmas break.
 - e. PDAC: first meeting was excellent; how can we help with parent engagement. Next meeting: Help liaisons enhance their role. Good way to learn diversity of the district.
 - f. Art Awareness: wants to find another way to make sign-ups public/online. Current process is cumbersome. Low sign-ups & lower grades are struggling for volunteers. Looking for ideas

to revitalize sign-ups AND the entire program. Colleen Nikiel volunteered to look at how to enhance sign-ups online.

- g. Reflections: Projects have been collected and submitted.
 - h. IPPC: Coat Collection were sorted – very successful! Next year we have to ask people to wash coats. Beautiful donations came in. Gets divvied up to families within the district.
 - i. Hospitality: Just fed teachers 2x for conferences. PTA provides a dinner/main course. Donations provided for sides and desserts. 3x per year: Nando's Peri Peri: they give 40% for Family Dinner Night. Jalapeno Grill. Need a 3rd. Staff count was a little higher (50). Ask for a slightly larger budget: maybe \$100. Possibly have staff member retiring.
 - j. Gift Card Program: Forms went out late last week. Easy way to make holidays more fun/less stressful. Run through GL Script. We receive 3-15% back. Staff gets to pick their gift card.
 - k. Yearbook: Looking for co-chair and someone to shadow/takeover.
 - l. Assemblies: 3 assemblies this year. WCF. Jan MLK is a play. May Teacher Appreciation: The Know-It-Alls gameshow.
 - m. Donuts for Dads: over 300 people who showed up. A few hick-ups. More room would be good. Busy Bobcat Store brought in lots of \$.
 - n. FunRun update: Kids had a great time. We set goal really high but we felt like we could still get there. Kids worked hard. Earned assembly. Like to send out survey for feedback.
- G. Treasurer's Report: Oct Financials. \$14, 246.
- a. Waiting on company matches and Portillos Night Matching.
 - b. Assembly funds \$20 over; will come out of Teacher Appreciation Week budget
 - c. Total was off in Sept budget. We're \$1,000 off. Corrected now.
- H. New Business
- a. STEAM 16 vendors. We are doing slime. Looking for glue donations. We added "A" for Art: Pinot's Palette will donate everything but the easels. We also don't have the \$300 grant this year. We will vote at next meeting.

Attendees:

Carol Gaines, Megan Hofbauer, Monica Scarpino, Joanie Brooks, Beth Arbetman, Abby Penich, Colleen Nikiel, Blanca De La Garza, Melissa Solomon, Beth Lynn Norton, Becky McDowell, Jen Loudon, Susan Wasson, Silvia Vega-Mitchell, Carrie Cole, George Smith, Tammy Winn Bocker