

**Romona Elementary School PTA
General Board Meeting Minutes
April 11, 2018
Romona Elementary School, Wilmette, IL**

Present: Principal Cindy Anderson, President Jacquelyn Singer, President-Elect Shannon Zock, Secretary Kimberly Newman, 2nd VP Assistant Volunteer & Support Lisa Appel, 3rd VP Assistant Enrichment Tania Bouwman, 4th VP Fundraising Trina Platt, Parents Georgia Argonis, Dara Bass, Jennifer Choi, Ann Georgopoulos, Howard Gordon, Diana Harr, Carolin Huh, Al Husain, Nora Kropp, Ji Li, Katie Longstreth, Tina Sotos Papadimas, Ellen Sternweller, Larissa Wozney, Preeti Varshney

1. Call meeting to order - Jacquelyn Singer

- a. The meeting was called to order at 8:46am by Jacquelyn Singer.
- b. Ellen Sternweiler made the motion to approve the previous minutes from 2/7, Lisa Appel seconded the motion, the minutes were approved after unanimous approval.

2. Principal's Report - Cindy Anderson

- a. Please sign up online for parent/teacher conferences 4/18-4/20. 4/19 will be an early release day, with NO SCHOOL on 4/20.
- b. Earth Week will start in 2 weeks; the Green Team will handle opening the WELL Garden.
- c. PARCC Testing should be finished this week. Any makeups will be completed next week.
- d. The Kindness Club delivered thank you notes to the school's neighbors.
- e. Safety issues remain a priority at Romona.
 - i. Currently working on an updated crisis plan.
 - ii. A spring safety review is underway in each classroom.
 - iii. Unannounced fire drills coming up; lock down drills will be announced.

3. President-Elect - Shannon Zock

- a. PTA board positions are still available for next year's board.
- b. Shannon also conveyed the news/updates from the Communications &

Legislation team:

- i. Bike Safety Training Day for 2nd graders is 5/24; "Bike to Highcrest" will be in May

4. 3rd VP Assistant, Enrichment - Tania Bouwman

- a. The Daughter Dance will be 4/21 from 5:30-8:00pm. Sign up online.
- b. The Son Spring Fling will be 5/19, time tbd.
- c. The Well Garden opening will be planned by the Green Team.

5. 4th VP Fundraising - Trina Platt

- a. The money raised from the Gala this year will go to the Romona Garden; ideas for improvement are being considered.
- b. We raised around \$9k from the gala.
- c. Parent Nora Kropp asked how to find out when your child's class is going to the book fair: Jackie to find out.

6. Additional Business & Announcements

- a. In addition to today's morning seminar, there will be a 5th grade parent night for current 4th grade parents at Highcrest Auditorium on 5/2 at 7:00pm.

7. Highcrest Transition Overview

- a. Principal Kelly Jackson presented information relevant to incoming 5th grade parents.

8. Adjournment

- a. Jackie adjourned the meeting at 9:37am.