

**Thurgood Marshall PTA
General Meeting Minutes - DRAFT
May 29th, 2014**

In attendance - Katy Ransom, Sharmila Williams, Casey Sommers, Lauri Nakamoto, Perry Lee, Brindy Bundesmann, Martin and Kathryn Saxier, Laurie Milodragovich, Jen Ellis, Wendy Eckert, Cambria Ax, Scott Engan, Tasha Irvine, Greg Miller, Cliff Meyer, Tamara Mildon, Natalie Zheng, James Modie, Mark Shumka, Dan Kasha, Leigh Mercer, Sara Ullman, Ryland Brown, Julia Janak, Sade Brown, Susan Morrison and Rosa Lefkowicz

Sharmila began the meeting with an brief run-down of upcoming PTA events including the **Grade Level Picnics, Field Day** and **5th Grade Promotion**. See attached agenda for date specifics.

Membership voted in the new elected officers of the Thurgood Marshall Board - Casey Sommers to Co-President and Lauri Nakamoto to Secretary. The complete board for the 2014-15 school year is:

Executive Committee:

Co-President - Tasha Irvine
Co-President - Casey Sommers
Vice President - Scott Engan
Treasurer - Brindy Bundesmann
Secretary - Lauri Nakamoto

Additional Chairs and Representatives:

Communications Chair - Cliff Meyer
Community Relations Chair - Ben Kim
Events Chair - Daniella D'Louhy
Fundraising Chair Promotions - Jenny Ott
Fundraising Chair Accounting - Stacey Joanovic
Membership Chair - Maggie Trapp
PEACE Academy Rep - Annette Sherr
PTA Teacher Liaison - Donna Dugan
Volunteer Chair - Jen Ellis

Tasha Irvine gave thanks to outgoing PTA members for their service to the school in the current and past years. Among departing parents thanked were Katy Ransom, Wendy Eckert, Barbara Staley, Laurie Milodragovich, Jenny Sapora, Jeanne Thompson, Steve Ball and Julia Janak. She then presented **Golden Acorn** awards to volunteers-extraordinaire Perry Lee, Sharmila Williams, Tina and Kyle Shepherd. An **Outstanding Educator Award** will go to Julie Breidenbach for all of her incredible years of dedication to the school.

PTA budget 2014/2015 Update and Approval - Brindy Bundesmann

The budget for next year is a few thousand dollars more than this current year's budget due to standard cost of living adjustments for salaries. We are starting to use some of our reserves by adding ceiling mounted projectors to all of the first floor classrooms this summer. All of the second floor classrooms were outfitted earlier this year and the staff has been extremely satisfied with them. This will benefit all students and staff in the coming years.

We anticipate healthy fundraising next year as well - \$130K is a reasonable expectation. We are funding (have made an obligation to the district) .6 Counselor time and .5 Librarian time - this

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will keep next year's staffing as it is this year. The 2014/2015 Budget was approved. (see attached budget handout)

A parent asked about the contribution to the newly formed Fairmont Park Elementary PTA - and Tasha addressed this by saying that we are giving Fairmont Park up to \$1250 from Thurgood Marshall PTA dollars not spent this year - this will not take place until the end of the school year.

Child Safety Expert Kim Estes was introduced - see attached handouts.

Meeting adjourned.