

Innovation Academy PTO Minutes

Wednesday, April 18, 2018

1. Welcome- President Vince Pike called the meeting to order at 6:02 pm
2. Minutes- Minutes were approved and Kathryn also read two thank you cards to the audience. They were from the teachers, students, and staff.
3. President's Report- Vince went through the agenda for the evening and highlighted bylaw changes and new board member elections.
4. Treasurer's Report- Vince gave the treasurer's report. He reported that the fulfillment of many of the teacher requests took place. A listening center for Mrs. Steen, a roller coaster construction set for Mrs. Watson, and a grant for the XO Lab were all mentioned as being funded. The full report may always be viewed online.
5. Principal's Report- Mr. McConnell spoke to the many awards that were won during the weekend by the IA students. SARSEF had 33 projects accepted from IA and IA won 50 awards including the distinguished SARSEF Endorsed School award. One of the OM teams is attending the world competition in Ames, Iowa. He also said that IA is wrapping up the AZ merit testing.
6. Committee Reports-
 - a. *Yearbook*- Alana spoke about the yearbook. There have been 257 orders thus far. Alana also mentioned that she would be willing to chair the yearbook committee again next year. Alanna has been working very hard and we all appreciate her taking this on.
7. Old Business-
 - a. We are now an official 501 c 3. The donations made are also retroactively deductible for the date March 29, 2017. The taxes for the PTO have all been filed and the Corporation Commission is updated with all of our current information.
 - b. There is a form in the office for comments, suggestions, teacher requests and will also be available for all meetings. The phone number for the PTO is 520-356-0323. The call goes to email and is transcribed. A text message may also be left. The website address is innovationacademypto.org. Also follow PTO on Facebook. The email address is innovationacademypto@gmail.com. Please be sure to send in photos to use for the website. Be sure to let Barb

Anderson know if you are not receiving the PTO emails. She is adding a new area in the newsletter for the Volunteer of the month and a Thankful Thursday section for donors. Barb will send out a communication survey at the end of the year regarding preference for contact for PTO communications.

- c. All of the funds raised by the Scorpion Stride will go directly to the teachers for classroom start up. As of the meeting date we had raised \$4,789. We had donations from 25 states and 3 countries.

8. New Business-

- a. The bylaws were changed to reflect that the first Vice President would become a President Elect position which would be a two year term. There was a vote for this bylaw change. Christina made the motion and Jennifer did the second. Motion passed.
- b. Elections for the 2018-2019 PTO Board took place. The election was done with written ballots. The following are the results:

President- Doug Marcoux

President Elect- Jennifer Taduran

VP Communications- Barb Anderson

VP Fundraising-Asha O'Shea and Christina Berndt

VP Volunteers-Taylor Davidson

Secretary- Ryan and Sarah Burton-Romero

Treasurer- TBD

The meeting was adjourned at 7:06 pm by Vince. The next meeting will be Wednesday, May 9 at 6:00pm in the IA MPR/Cafeteria.