

Together for Trillium (TFT)
Meeting Minutes, March 2015
3/16/15

Attending: Ximena Ospina-Todd, Johanna Norton, Stephanie Bliss, Reggie Bliss, Thane Norton, Nikos Tzetos, and others

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I. Approval of Minutes

- A. Read and approved minutes for February 2015 monthly TFT meetings

II. Our Oregon Presentation

- A. Gave presentation outlining their legislative agenda.
- A. Not what we were expecting.
 - B. Not appropriate for a PTA meeting.

III. Director's Report - Kieran, Executive Director

- A. Legislative Advocacy
- A. Two bills are on our agenda.
 - A. SB820 on Racial Diversity
 - B. SB819 on Funding Equity
 - B. Bills are moving forward.
 - C. Talking points to be delivered later.
 - A. Need people (parents) to call house members.
 - B. Especially Rep. Lew Frederick, district 43
 - A. <https://www.oregonlegislature.gov/FindYourLegislator/leg-districts.html>
- B. Smarter Balance Test
- A. Replacing Oaks
 - B. Rolling out this year
 - A. Expect some level of insanity.
 - C. Expected to test 95% of student population
 - A. If not, they could threaten our charter.

- B. Understanding is that they will not.
- C. Admin Restructure
 - A. Lower school head candidates are being identified
 - A. Staff interviews in early April
 - B. Student and Parent interviews mid April (proposed)
 - B. Upper school head position being fleshed out.
 - A. Expected to post by end of year.
 - C. Most of money to pay for new positions comes from no longer having to pay PERS.
- D. Tentative calendar update for 2015-2016 year.
 - A. August 24th is first day for upper school.
 - B. August 27th is first day for lower school.
 - C. June 10th last day.

IV. Events Team, Caffeine Jones, team leader

- A. Request from team lead to help sign up people.
- B. Staff appreciation dinner
 - A. Needs a coordinator.
 - B. Needs a location.
- C. Oregon PTA partnering with OEA.
 - A. Need people to counteract OEA influence.
- D. Grounds clean up needed.
 - A. Needs coordinator.

V. Communications Team. ___ Team Leader?___

- A. Content creation - position still open
 - A. Could be one person who organizes all major TFT communications, incl. newsletter, FB posts & events, Info Exchange emails, TFT Calendar
 - B. Currently TFT president is performing all these tasks; not sustainable
- B. TFT web site - Reggie Bliss
 - A. Progress on design is being made
 - B. Will need content: calendar, meeting minutes, contact info, feeds from Twitter + FB; Stephanie to come up with list of content ideas

VI. Fundraising Team (see also Treasurer's Report), Nikos Tzetos, team leader

- A. Plant sale is happening.
- B. Tuesday treats brought in 189\$.
- C. Scrip is bringing in money, but how much is a little difficult to nail down.
- D. Need more dine outs.

VII. Support Team, Stephanie Bliss, team leader

- A. Staff Supply Closet:
 - A. Caffeine's housemate will be coordinating.
- B. May 22nd for volunteer appreciation day.
- C. Senior grants
 - A. Maybe one or two students will consider grants.
 - B. Officially not worrying about it.
- D. TFT Grants

A. Teachers are finalizing requests.

VIII. PTA & TFT Business, Johanna Norton

A. We need a nominating committee.

B. Election moved to April by unanimous vote.

IX. Arts and Music Event, Heidi Nelms

A. Volunteers needed

B. Some monies supplied will need to be reimbursed.

C. How to feed people?

A. Costco pizzas suggested.

B. How many people?