



## **CEPTSA General Membership Meeting Minutes**

**May 23, 2024, 5:30 pm**

**Carnation Elementary Library**

**Call to Order:** 5:33 pm

**Approval of February GMM Minutes:** [February 2024 GMM Minutes 1 Of 2.docx](#)

**Guest Speaker** John Lombardi

Dr Lombardi answered the questions submitted to him.

OER curriculum, meaning that curriculum is open for free access. Elementary uses it for Kindergarten, San Francisco Math, confirmed that he always vets curriculum that they use.

3-5 Reading and social studies curriculum update, teachers have been researching and reviewing to see if it would meet expectations. Some curriculum can cost over \$300,000 for those grades. Similar/comparable curriculum through OER may be \$10,000.

Melissa B asked if the self-contained students would get curriculum, the answer was that there is agreement that students should all get access to grade level curriculum, and ISET should have curriculum, student services should be monitoring it.

iReady is a diagnostic tool, MAP is a norm reference test, and was not reflective of ALL their peers and students in the country etc. iReady can see where your child is against grade level standards within WA state. The questions begin a grade level below where the kid is at, the questions get harder as they answer more questions correctly, and it goes back and forth to ensure that the child continues to get the answers correct then moves on. The data breaks down by student/by skill so that teachers can teach to their students. Teachers are reporting that they are able to see growth immediately and they can teach to what their students need immediately.

30-40 minutes per week in reading

30-40 minutes per week in math

There IS repetition in the program, but it is based on the different skills that the student is testing on. Phonics, phonemic, comprehension. It may be similar content but testing different things.

12% increase in reading for CE from Jan - April

17% increase in math for CE from Jan – April

Brooke Baker explained: Must get 100% before they have mastered it, so it definitely is repetitive until they really get it.

**Presidents' Report** (Bailey/Kyla)

**New Business**

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2024-2025 Budget Voting – Major changes are that we combined teacher start up money into grants, increasing our grant funds for next year, consolidated some other items such as concessions with events, and simplified the format so that we can see expected money in/expected money out/actual money in/out. We also increased the overall budget to accurately reflect inflation and amounts we actually spend. Increases include money for Dance Dude, Staff Appreciation, Kindergarten Kick off. We added a line for school beautification, and adding a hospitality line item for staff lunches, volunteer appreciation event, and refreshments at board meetings and GMMs.

### Treasurer's Report (Lauren)

Summary for February 2024	
Starting Total	<b>\$70,177.92</b>
Income	\$2,176.32
Expenses	-\$2,288.28
<b>Ending Balance</b>	<b>\$70,065.96</b>
Summary for March 2024	
Starting Total	\$70,065.96
Income	\$60
Expenses	-\$4,580.59
<b>Ending Balance</b>	<b>\$ 65,545.37</b>
Summary for April 2024	
Starting Total	\$65,545.37
Income	\$20,634.01
Expenses	-\$3,542.95
<b>Ending Balance</b>	<b>\$ 82,636.43</b>

#### SUMMARY NOTES:

- February income of \$2,176 was driven from the following events:
  - Matching \$429
  - Donuts \$1,684 (net \$640/+ \$340 to goal)
  - Holiday Bazaar \$50
  - Kroger \$14
- February expenses of \$2,488
  - Donuts \$1,044 (net rev above)
  - School District Appreciation \$200
  - CHS Scholarship \$1000
  - Copies \$244
  - Dance \$724
  - Spring Auction \$13,278
  - Yearbook \$1,981
  - New Fundraising \$250
  - Afterschool Enrichment \$2,982
  - Dine out \$431
  - Matching \$255
  - Spiritwear \$105
  - Membership \$327
  - Petty Cash \$300
- March income of \$60 was driven from the following events:
  - Matching \$60
- March expenses of \$4,016 driven primarily by :
  - Dance \$2,087
  - Spring Auction \$386
  - Talent Show \$252
  - Petty Cash \$300
  - Membership \$36
  - Afterschool Enrichment Supplies \$482

- April income of \$20,634 was driven from the following events:
  - Dance \$724
  - Spring Auction \$13,278
  - Yearbook \$1,981
  - New Fundraising \$250
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Kyla explained how grateful we are for the partnerships we have formed with so many parents.

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Melissa Baksa motioned to approve the amendments, Stacey Gunderson seconded.

Introduction of new non-elected board members

Introduced Brooke and Sam, Brooke explained how excited she was for our theme of reading and books. She is excited to participate with PTSA and pushing into the culture.

Swings moving to June

## **Committee Reports**

*Membership* (Kristina) 245 members for this month, it shows that families are interested and want to participate.

*Fundraising* (Lauren C)

No additional fundraisers this year

- Beginning to plan fundraisers for next year
- Applying for grants to help cover the two playground projects (Rotary \$2K)
- Hoping to move forward on the swings once we have confirmation from REF
- New ISET option that is closer to \$30K (more attainable) attached
- With no lights allowed for the big field, beginning to get quotes for a track

*Volunteers* (Emi) No Update

*Communications* (Stacey) Newsletter this month will be a nice update of what we've accomplished this year, a Thank You to everyone who participated or donated.

*Staff Updates* (Ms. Isler) Brooke Baker explained that REF has created a playground line item, so CE playground grant requests will go under that, and it will be a 3 year cycle, so grants may be applied for every 3 years. Ms Baker is on the REF board and explained that they saw a huge need to do regular grants for updating playgrounds so that students are not playing on dilapidated equipment.

*Advocacy* (Kyla) Discussed the visit to Olympia and the legislator's visit to the school. Explained that Riverview spent upwards of \$1.5 million over budget in support of special education, which is unacceptable but so necessary.

*Staff Appreciation* (Bailey) Bailey explained how much fun it was putting the week on, and we are so thankful for our volunteers for putting it on. Some staff in attendance expressed how thankful they were.

## **Upcoming events**

Summer Playdates – need someone to lead these, but hoping to have 1-2 per grade

Resources at Playdates – for inviting some useful resources for parents to playdates for Behavioral Health and mental health – kids quest and encompass.

Volunteer Appreciation- we will have some type of event to thank our volunteers.

## **Adjournment:**

6:38pm

Next GMM October 2024 Location TBD.

Signed: Bailey Denman