



Keysor PTO General Session Meeting

January 17, 2023

Meeting was called to order at 7:07 pm by Katie D'Agostino*.

Those in Attendance were: Alyssa Taylor, Gretchen Morrison, Katie D'Agostino*, Emily Boeckmann*, Tricia Copeland*, Patty Fisher*, Ashley Papke*, Kimberly Abeln*, Dena Anderson*, Kristin Davis*, Jessica Ahrens *, Brooke Linneman; Kelli Bramell, Erik Papke, Amanda Baker, Britni Weindel, Megan Perez, Scott Bopp, Kristi Gordon, Colleen Cochran, Karen Hill, Megan Hegger, Stacy reliford, Bridget Stanza, Ed Wilhelm, Nicole Hill, Jim Schamber, Shannon Ryan, Jenny Gandhi, Sames Kirtane

* Denotes Executive Board member

AGENDA

WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

-Quick hellos

NEW BUSINESS

1. **Mike Romay about Prop R**

-Adding 45 classrooms to alleviate overcrowding.

-Adding accessibility and lighting for safety

-New entrance for Keysor and safety cameras

-Various ADA ramps were added to other schools

-Tillman - 8 new classrooms, library media center, new gym, HVAC improvements, parking improvements, etc

-Westchester - 10 new classrooms, library media center, expanding cafeteria, parking improvements, etc

-Nipher - 4 new classrooms, enclosed corridors, etc

-North - converting offices into 8 classrooms, enclosed corridors, etc

-KHS - 15 new classrooms, new welcome center for safety, enclosed corridors, HVAC, Parking improvements, KHS will change address, etc

2. Dr. Bailey Boundary Adjustment Updates

-All Boundary adjustments are within Kirkwood school district.

-Committee started in spring 2020 and includes approx 150 parents, community members, educational Equity Task force members, etc

-We have gained enrollment, only 1 of 3 districts in St. Louis have gained.

-Focus on utilizing 85% of a building

-Multiple meetings with Meacham Park leaders

-Eliminate the long distance to Westchester zone

-Would like to split between 2 schools and have connections established

-Created Planning Units in the whole district

-puzzle pieces of the map created with boundaries per subdivisions, streets, natural landforms, etc

-Keysor is currently at 112% utilization

-Construction delays have pushed back planning for a year.

-Public tour will happen once plans become more solidified.

-100% Transparency is the plan

-Potential recommendations to the Board in August or September

-2025 school year is the expectation for boundaries to take place.

-There will be a "Waiver-Process" for "grandfathering"

-Transition from Elementary to Middle School choice has not been decided.

-New builds are included in the projections.

-The distance to qualify for bussing will not change most likely, but of course this will cause new routes, etc.

-They don't want to separate families

-Full impact on boundaries won't be felt for at least 5 years.

-Lindemann property is 13 acres and no plan to sell it at the time.

-We have one Title 1 building to provide free/reduced lunch. They currently receive Federal Funding.

-Two pockets in our community are lower SES. And they are focused on being equitable but also not wanting to miss out on the Federal Funding.

-Timeline wise - potentially start with scenarios in the next few months

-Middle School boundary choices still aren't made up

3. **Treasurer Report**

- a. Budget v actuals
- b. Nothing remarkable except we paid our IRS liability
- c. Updated budget now on website

4. **Trivia Night**

- a. Saturday Feb 25, 2023 at 7:30 pm
- b. We need Party HOSTS! Especially 5th Grade and 3rd Grade
- c. Theme: GAME NIGHT!
- d. Ways to Help:
 - i. Join planning committee - email keysortrivia@gmail.com
 - ii. Silent Auction Baskets Feb 23
 - iii. Need Donations & Sponsorships
 1. Any connections to donate?
 - iv. Host a Party, including After Party
 1. Donation form and Party Hosting info coming home soon

5. **Teacher Grants Update**

- a. We funded \$14,000 worth of grants for teachers
- b. Flexible seating, xylophones, forward facing book shelves, brainbins, software, etc

6. **Dr. Taylor's Notes**

- a. Paddle Raise 2023
- b. Move all the gardens to the Virginia Sapp Pavillion area
- c. New Bermuda Sod on the field....turf is too expensive
- d. SWINGS! With playground grass

- e. District will meet us half way for this project.
- f. Dr. Taylor is working on 3 Bids.
- g. Our half estimated from 1 bid is at the most \$87,500 - worst case scenario so far.
- h. Next year's budget is established.
- i. If we raise these funds, they will start construction this summer.
- j. We do have pre-Covid monies sitting in an account - \$19,000
- k. KSF grants might be potential (grants closed)
- l. If we don't raise enough money, Board probably won't approve it.
- m. Trivia is hoping to create a campaign post-Trivia night to help meet our goal.

Megan Hegggar made a motion to approve the funding for Playground Swings and Sod for the PTO Paddle Raise

Second motion - Kelli Bramell

Everyone agreed. Motion Passed.

7. Movie Night is Back

- Friday, January 27th
- Doors open at 5:30 pm
- Movie starts at 6 pm
- Free event for all Keysor Families
- Lyle, Lyle Crocodile

8. Things to Remember:

- a. Panera Night - Thursday Feb 9th - 4 - 8 pm
- b. Basket Making - Feb 23 at 6 pm
- c. Racial Equity Feb 2 at 7:30
- d. Trivia Night Feb 25

9. **Next General Session Meeting:** The next General Session meeting for the school year will be held on Tuesday, March 14 at 7 pm.

ADJOURNMENT:

Adjourned at 8:34 pm by President PTO Katie D'Agostino.