

Executive Committee Meeting Minutes  
April 14, 2009  
7:30 pm

- I. Welcome and Introductions: Julie Scott, Jen Felten, Paige Chabora, Christy Ross, David Landeryou, Susan Kaminskas, Brett Colton, Julia Rosen, Bill Bravman, Christina Parsons, Mari Bailey, Norma Ramela
- II. Principal's Report: Currently focused on upcoming annual testing. Registrations need to be turned in to the office as soon as possible for the upcoming year. This message should be sent to all parents in Keynotes and/or weekly emails.
- III. Teachers Report: Brett Colton and Julia Rosen presented a proposal for Smart Boards. They are looking to the PTA for assistance in covering the cost of this as the majority of their money for technical upgrades were recently pulled from the budget by DCPS. The Smart Boards would replace our current outdated system and/or the need for chalkboards. The total cost for 3 Smart Boards plus necessary accessories would total \$11,297.00. Currently, the PTA does not have these funds available, so it was discussed that it be included in the DCPS budget next year. If this is not a feasible option, we could look into grants or discuss the mini master plan with Laura Slover. The PTA is excited about this proposal and eager to make it work. The PTA did recently give money to develop the "reading room" requested by the teachers earlier in the school year.
- IV. Treasurer's Report: Auction, estimated revenues of \$107,000 and expenses of \$16,000.00 for a net of \$90,000 (15K of this is fund an item). Raffle sales net around 7K, small donation to AU will be necessary so likely net will be around 80K. After School Enrichment is running at a deficit. May pull some money from KEHP to cover some of this as the children who would typically be in there are involved in the After School Enrichment program. There is a discount offered to these students. FLES is also running at a deficit, but money is still coming in for this program.
- V. Committee Reports: KEHP (Christina Parsons) – May/June registrations have been sent out. As the year comes to a close, bonuses for the KEHP teachers do need to be discussed. Bulk Supplies (Mari Bailey and Norma Ramela) – discussed ordering bulk supplies for next year and the need for more volunteers on the day the supplies arrive at the school. We will solicit for this. Will also need assistance in going to Costco to get additional supplies that are less expensive there...plates, napkins, etc. In order to avoid a deficit (3K in 2008-09), we will send one form with the PTA dues and money due for supplies. However, this year it will be more specific as to the total cost of each. We would like to break even. For those who do not pay, we will ask the teachers to send a reminder. Grounds clean-up (Bill Bravman) is this

weekend. We will be putting flyers out in the neighborhood to ask for additional volunteers for this day.

- VI. LSRT report: (Bill Bravman) Overall results were very good on all levels. Overall, 93% of the responding parents are very happy with Key. The strongest concerns revolve around life after Key and Hardy as an option. Some are concerned about the future growth of Key and the ability to maintain the current program. There were some concerns expressed about Fillmore and some desire to stop donating to Fillmore and bring the art program in house. Some parents are not comfortable with the teachers there as many of them are simply working artists.
- VII. Other Business: Mike Italiano discussed a petition that is going around the school regarding having only organic snacks at the school. There was a bit of concern regarding the costs of these snacks and the ability to get them. Something could be placed in Keynotes regarding this with the understanding that it is optional, not required. The new PTA committees are still being organized and there is some discussion of adding a couple of new committees for 2009-2010. The materials requested by Chancellor Rhee regarding middle school concerns have been mailed. The General Meeting date will be moved to June 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Meeting adjourned.