

PTO Meeting Minutes

9/11/18 at 7:02 PM | Meeting called to order by Leah Kletnieks

In Attendance

Shari Johnston, Allison Rodacker, Mark Whatley, Ashley Tucker, Katie Smith, Emily Park, Rachell Schneider, Leah Kletnieks, Dawn Wantroba, Gail Brinkhaus, Holly Hamilton, Bonnie Sanders, Julia McGurk, Aimee Holloway, Brooke Beyer, Alyssa Garshol

Approval of Minutes

Allison Rodacker moved to approve the May 29, 2018 meeting minutes. Motion seconded by Shari Johnston. All voted in favor.

Katie Smith moved to approve the July 24, 2018 meeting minutes. Motion seconded by Gail Brinkhaus. All voted in favor.

Agenda

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Reports
- 3. Old Business
- 4. New Business
- 5. Open Discussion
- 6. Announcements
- 7. Adjournment

Reports

Principal's Report - Shari Johnston

- Thanks to PTO for getting Arena up and running.
- Thanks for treats for Back to School Night.
- Thanks for Ice Cream Social.
- We are now holding Wednesday morning meetings to review how to be a Stingray Star. Will probably replace the Character Counts assembly. Will try to incorporate Character Counts in Wednesday morning meetings.
- Choose Love is a program on coping and regulating emotion. This is a district wide program based on
 the website JesseLewisChooseLove.org. There is a family component and information can be found on
 the website. Teachers are doing a lesson a week.
- Thursday is Picture Day.

- Thank you for Back to School treats.
- Thanks for ice cream social. Nice to see community come together.
- Excited for Stingray Fund money that has come in.

Treasurer's Report - Allison Rodacker

- Prepared three sets of budgets in case we don't raise enough money in the Stingray Fund. We have enough money from last year to fund full budget.
- Extra money from last few years has been spent on special projects. May need to cut back on teacher budgets in order to fund special projects in the future (such as PE teacher).
 - Ocost for a PE teacher is based on the high end of the salary range (\$70,000) but likely won't actually pay that much.
- Ice Cream sales don't generate money. It is a break-even event. Discussed if price should be increased from \$0.50 to \$1 to generate money for PTO. Decided to push out decision and if we decide to move forward with increase, we will need to give notice.
- Hired 4 intervention Specialists hired provide intervention for reading at all levels instead of reading academy.
 - Kathy Newton is willing to come back and train intervention specialists. Need to approve paying her from the Readathon literacy fund.
 - Mark Whatley moved to approve \$800 to fund Kathy Newton returning to train intervention specialists. Motion seconded by Ashley Tucker. All voted in favor.
- Brooke Beyer moved to approve the 2018/19 Full Budget. Motion seconded by Rachell Sschneider. All voted in favor.

Old Business

- Back to School Arena
 - We streamlined the process so people were in and out quickly. About 300 people came through.
 - o Room Parents set up for every teacher.
 - o \$2,600 in apparel sold.
 - Previously discussed having a Chromebook set for signing up to be a volunteer and this caused confusion about volunteer versus room parent. This year they were same computers as those used for people that did not complete the InfoSnap. Suggested having separate computers for volunteers.
 - The Room Parent table was last and ended up fielding a lot of random questions. Suggested an info table with seasoned parents at the end of the line.
- Ice Cream Social
 - o Estimated about 450 people came through.
 - o Bought 30 containers of ice cream and only had 2 left at the end.
 - Suggestion to add a tip jar with money going to school.
- Stingray Fund Update
 - o Raised just over \$12,000 and expecting more money to come in through corporate matches.
 - Will continue to accept donations.

New Business

Open Positions

- After School Enrichment Coordinating all after school programs with vendors, including making sure vendors are cleared to come on campus and sending out flyers.
- Spaghetti Feed Fundraiser (5th Grade Parent) Already scheduled for October 26th. Need somebody to organize volunteers. Funds 5th grade science camp. Spaghetti feed open to all families.

Fundrasiers

- Spaghetti Feed October 26
- o Multi-Cultural Night November 2 led by Jessica Torres and Vivian Hackett. In previous years a lot of people would make a lot of food with a lot of leftover food. This year asking everyone to make smaller portions and pay a flat fee to try a little of everything. Flyer will go out asking for volunteers and food. Funds will support science camp.
- BoosterThon
 - Hired BoosterThon to run Fun Run December 6th instead of Turkey Trot run by PTO. BoosterThon will run the program with kick off starting November 27th. They have guaranteed we will profit at least \$10,500.
 - BoosterThon will be onsite for the two weeks leading up the run. They will
 encourage kids at lunch and recess as well as be available to help teachers during
 the day.
 - Looking for corporate sponsors for shirts. Forms going out to parents.
 - Suggested gyms and fitness centers.
- Spring Fundraiser Friday, May 17th
 - Start meetings in December before Winter Break.
 - We have 15 Disney Tickets. Can use for other events during the year or save for Spring Fundraiser.
 - Request that everyone start thinking of a theme.
- o Page Mill Winery: Twilight Tasting Thursday evenings from 4:30 8. Kassandra is going to work on scheduling that. Looking at January or February. \$10 wine tasting fee. 100% off fee goes to school and a percentage of sales. Can schedule vendors at the event.
 - Suggestion to ask parents if they want to be a vendor at the event.

Family Night Out

- Altamont Beer Works not accepting fundraiser requests.
- Shadow Puppet suggested.

PCIC Meeting Updates

- Allison Rodacker is attending meetings. A representative from each school attends with the superintendent and sometimes board members and other community members. Discuss needs and problems in schools.
 - Today's meeting talked about school board elections. Sept 25th from 6-8 forum will be held in the district office in the board room. Have to go to registrar's site for candidate information.
 - Multi-tiered system of support for students discussed at meeting. New staff hired to support system.
 - Parent institute for Student Success will be held on Sept 22. Will be run in Spanish and English.
 - Horizon Family Counsel rep talked about smoking / vaping and TV / video game addiction.

Calendar Updates

- o Spaghetti Feed scheduled for October 26
- o Movie Night moved to October 19
- o Picture Retake day corrected to October 18
- o Book Fair scheduled for 4/15 4/19

Open Discussion

• Thank you to Julia for making Stingray Fund thermometers.

Announcements

- Calendar of Events
 - o 9/12 Ice Cream Sales Begin
 - o 9/13 Picture Day
 - o 9/13 My School Band Starts
 - o 9/19 Family Night Out Round Table
 - o 10/5 Professional Development Day No School
 - o 10/8 10/19 Parent / Teacher Conferences (Early Release All Grades 1:30 PM)
 - o 10/9 PTO Meeting at 7 PM

Adjournment

Next Meeting will be Tuesday, October 9 at 7 PM.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:15 PM.

Addendum

On Tuesday, September 25th Sylvia Guzman made a motion via email to approve using \$115 to purchase shirts for the SDC class to wear to the Special Olympics. Tina Melissare seconded the motion via email. Seven votes in favor were received and no votes against were received.