

## PTA BOARD MEETING MINUTES

JANUARY 8, 2019

- I. Approve minutes from December's PTA Board Meeting.
  - a. Amy Wolin, President, made a motion to approve the minutes as presented
  - b. Jill Shelnut 2<sup>nd</sup>
  - c. Motion passed. Minutes approved.
  
- II. Budget
  - a. Bonus Bucks – made about \$700. Need to reassess in September whether we will continue to do this program. Possibly we could start it earlier in the year. Can the order forms be sent out earlier?
  - b. \$1,849 was deposited as earning from McTeacher Night and Jersey Mike's
  - c. Hayes Abernathy from Jersey Mike's would like to offer free sandwiches. Pam Warren to send information to Paige Bowers.
  - d. Spirit Stick earnings – sales have not broken even yet.
  
- III. Principal Information
  - a. Mrs. Craddock had nothing to report
  
- IV. Teacher Information
  - a. Julie Simoneaux had nothing to report
  
- V. Grants
  - a. Approval of Teacher Grants – the members present were asked to vote on the following grant applications. The grants are up to \$250.
    - i. 4<sup>th</sup> Grade teacher asking for \$208 for Maker Station
    - ii. Kinder teacher asking for \$225.88 for take home pouches for books and a boogie board dashboard
    - iii. Special Ed teacher asking for \$250 for a Special Needs Conference in Greenville. Mrs. Craddock to address
    - iv. 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade teacher asking for \$246 for sets of books for classroom. Amy to address where the teacher is getting the pricing for the books
    - v. 4<sup>th</sup> Grade teacher asking for \$238 for Childrens Theatre books
    - vi. 5<sup>th</sup> Grade teacher – Teacher not a member. Mrs. Craddock to address
    - vii. 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade teacher asking for \$91 for trays for science and tennis ball cans
    - viii. Music Teacher asking for \$129.95 for a one year K-8 music magazine subscription to include sheet music
    - ix. 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade teacher asking for \$250 – explanation was vague on request. Amy to address with teacher

- x. 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade teacher asking for \$161 for Magformers, Lego classic creator builder for STEAM activities
- xi. 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade teacher asking for \$225.59 for furniture for classroom and cube organizer
  - \*\*Amy to state and clarify that all items will remain in the classroom\*\*
- b. Money left – perhaps we will open up grants in the Spring

VI. Buddy Bench – Jill Shelnut and Marissa McFarland

- a. February 8, 2019. Bring a Buddy to Bingo Event will take place from 6-8 p.m.
- b. Online donations have been set up
- c. Steps have been taken to bring a food truck – Meat N The Middle. Food is preorder only. We will receive 10% back from the sale of food.
- d. Pound Cake Man will be on site during the event.
- e. Grade level baskets for prizes. Kelly Boland to send to Room Parents.
- f. Let Davis know who gives donation so there are not many duplicates between Buddy Bench and Teacher Appreciation.
- g. Need volunteers – a Signup Genius will be created for shifts
- h. Need to check the closet for aprons and supplies

VII. International Festival – Clairborne Linvill

- a. 5 volunteers are coordinating the event which will take place on March 9 from 11:30-2 p.m. Art Show will be from 11:30 – 3:30 p.m.
- b. Claiborne will provide the order of events at a later date. There will be choir and the parade. There will be no Jump Rope Club.
- c. There will be volunteers from Clemson University. A Signup Genius will be sent from Claiborne.
- d. We need a Table Coordinator Volunteer and a Runner during the event
- e. Need to ensure the PTA Officers will be present to handle money.
- f. Juliet Penna will run the American table. Anyone willing to smoke BBQ is welcome; otherwise hot dogs will be served
- g. Claiborne is making sure to let families hosting a table know that we can reimburse them up to \$50 for the food costs. They will need to provide receipts.
- h. Table sign up forms will be going out in February
- i. Looking into a better and more eco-friendly way to handle the large amount of trash created during the event
- j. It was suggested that perhaps a reusable, personalized cup be created. Kindergarten usually provides and manages the drink station. Davis Rapp to query the Kindergarten teachers if they still plan to do this.
- k. Amy will make Claiborne a Facebook Admin to be able to post information on Facebook about the Festival

- VIII. Restaurant Night
  - a. January – ITSURWEINER – January 29
  - b. February – McTeacher Night – proposed February 21 – Davis Rapp to contact Jennifer Partridge
  - c. March – possibly Five Below
  - d. April 6 – 7 – Jersey Mikes weekend
  - e. May - ?
  
- IX. Teacher Appreciation – Davis Rapp
  - a. This is planned for the week before Spring Break
  - b. January – something is planned
  - c. February - ?
  - d. Davis will send a letter in February
  
- X. Spirit Sticks
  - a. Friday sales are going pretty well
  - b. New inventory is being ordered
  - c. Amy will make a form for families to order Happy Birthday spirit sticks.
  - d. Teachers asking for prizes. Parents can purchase and donate to the classroom.
  - e. Ideas were throw around about how to use spirit sticks during Valentine’s Day this year
  
- XI. PTA Closet
  - a. Appears to be a mouse problem. Amy has requested to be able to purchase some plastic tubs to store paper items inside.
  
- XII. School Safety for Walkers and Walk to School Day
  - a. National Walk to School Day – March 6. The Tiger will be requested and stickers will be handed out to walkers/bikers upon arrival to school. Perhaps looking to include the Friends of Green Crescent Trails
  - b. A concern for the safety of walkers and bikers at crosswalks in the morning was discussed
    - i. Lack of crossing guard between 7:25 and 7:35
    - ii. Could signage be put up at the problem site
    - iii. Claiborne to look into asking the City
  - c. The PTA Bylaws state “The Association shall work to promote the health and welfare of children and youth and shall seek to promote collaboration between parents, schools and the community”. What can we do to try and fix this problem?

Meeting adjourned at 2:05 p.m.