

PTO Minutes

September 21, 2016

Persons Present (please list names):

Chassidy Merritt, Casey Nieman, Jerrica Stanley, Amber Phillips, Heather Parrish, Becky Cords, Wendy Smedley

Financials

Sept. Beginning Balance - \$12,499.83

3 Disbursements - \$984.83

(art supplies, gym sound equip, robotics for STAR program)

Funds Available - \$11,515.00

Set Dates for Big Events

- Goblin 5K - October 22, 2016 Amber Phillips - Shirt & Gift Bags
- Carnival - November 12th, 2016 Kandi Pretorius, VanMatre & Merritt
Papa John's Pizza by the slice
- Auction/Chicken Noodle Dinner - February 25, 2017 Kim Hiatt & Amber Phillips

Goblin 5K

Need treat bags - will be ordered by office

Bicycle raffle - Instead of two bikes, we will raffle off a Razor Scooter - Casey Nieman to purchase.

Gift cards purchased - Mrs. Smedley will pick up; Toys R Us for Costume Contest

T-Shirt design - open to suggestions; may go with Foot Ghost or Retro PacMan? Will continue with Rookies and setting last date for shirt order.

Update flyer - Mrs. Smedley

Order medals - office will order; same set-up as last year.

Race clock - Amber Phillips will secure clock and bibs; also placing event on Runner websites to help advertise Goblin 5K

Volunteers

Music - Would like to use portable speakers from school. Will try to line up music for walkers.

PTO would like to set up a table at Parent Teacher Conferences (Oct. 17th) to promote Goblin 5K and other events.

Plastic Lids Project -

Made contact with Recycle Designs in Anderson. We can only get benches at this time. Can purchase as many as we would like....donated lids are not necessarily needed to make own bench; just recycling.

*We are still collecting lids. However, it has been requested that when students bring lids in, to empty them out of their bags into the larger trash containers at the school. The company would like the lids to be loose when we bring them for drop-off.

Other Events

eLearning Day - Wednesday, October 5th

Not an Early Release - changed to an eLearning Day to practice for weather-related closures in the future. More details coming home within classroom newsletters and attendance policy from the office.

End of 1st nine weeks is Oct. 7th. Report cards will come home on Friday, Oct. 21st, after Fall Break. Fall Break is the week of Oct. 10th, with no school on Monday, Oct. 17th due to Parent/Teacher Conferences.

New Ideas

Muffins with Mom and Donuts with Dad

On the agenda for future planning; 2nd semester

Skating Parties

Stacey A. spoke with the Roll Arena (Anderson, IN) and the cost for a party is \$200.00. Then, we have the option of collecting a fee at the door. She said they normally suggest \$3. However, we are not obligated to collect anything. She gave me the following dates for September and October :

9-26, 9-29, 10-13, 10-20, 10-24, and 10-27. The parties are from 6-8 PM

PTO would like to move forward with a skating party, hopefully, on Oct. 27th. They will pay for the party and would like to know about being able to pick up the skate rental, too. Jerrica Stanley was going to go ahead and call Marion to see what their party fees are and have that information to compare and maybe set up a party for 2nd semester.

Previously we discussed that families would drive themselves versus providing a bus...it was decided that parents taking their kids to the rink is a better option than providing a bus (requires chaperones, sign in/out)

2017 Auction

Kim Hiatt provided a first draft of the donation letter. Dates had been updated. We discussed

Other business:

Abby Candle school fundraiser - results and potential needs for field trip funding.

Mrs. Smedley shared that this year's school-wide fundraiser came in lower than years past. She uses this money to help fund school field trips mainly. She asked PTO to help fund future request, if needed. They agreed and would like to fund when that time comes vs. making a lump sum donation. She will keep us updated. Other discussion revolved around changing up the school fundraiser next year...laundry soap, Wicks Pies, Concannons', Bingo Night, etc.

Food 4 Kids program - Weekend backpacks

Mrs. Smedley shared with the PTO this new program for our students. Flyers came home with a permission slip for families to participate in the weekend food backpacks. She shared that Mr. Hazelbaker, former Sville HS graduate and namesake of town library, had donated \$10,000. to help fund the project. It is FREE and open to ALL children. The goal is once a month, maybe before long weekends or school breaks, child can be provided with a "backpack" of non-perishable foods to take home. It was also discuss that maybe in December, the school would offer it more than one week, so children can "stock up" before the long 2 week break. If you have questions, you are encouraged to contact Mrs. Smedley or Mrs. Holt (new social worker).

Cookies & Canvas - Casey Nieman will be submitting dates

Casey would like to host another Cookies & Canvas event. This time with a holiday/Christmas theme. We set the dates of Dec. 7 (5:30-7:00) and Dec. 13 (6:00-7:30). The first date would coincide with our Family Reading Night and Papa John's Pizza. We thought families that might be interested could come to Cookies & Canvas, Pizza, and Reading Night, they wanted to make an evening of it. Flyers to register for the Cookie & Canvas events will come out closer to the dates.

Box Tops - Contest is going on NOW! Please submit all Box Tops. Collection sheets earn the students a chance to win prizes weekly. The student that turns in the most Box Tops wins a bicycle!! Heather Warrell will be our point person for collection and organizing contests.

Next Meeting:

Date/Time: October 20, 2016 at 6:00 PM

Looking Ahead:

September

28 6th Grade Chicago Trip Parent Meeting 6:00 PM

October

3 Picture Retake Day

4 Family Reading Night 6:30-8:00

5 eLearning Day - (no Early Release)

7 End of 1st nine weeks

Fire Prevention Awareness Day

Fire Drill with SFD at 9:00 AM (trucks will respond)

Firefighters will visit K-2 classrooms after the drill

10-14 Fall Break

17 Parent Teacher Conferences 12:00-7:00

22 Goblin 5K!