
Prairie View PTO Minutes

September 12, 6-7pm

Attendees:

Amy Roth- President
Ruth Bretl- Vice President
Kim Hollermann- Treasurer - Not in attendance
Ashely McRill- Secretary
Dr. Nick Weber
Parent Participant - Erin Knutson
Staff Participant - Kazoua Yang

Agenda

Call to Order, Welcome, Introductions

1. Introductions
 - a. Erin Knutson - Parent/Volunteer in attendance

Principal Reports: (Dr. Nick Weber)

1. Goal for PTO - provide opportunities for families to participate within the school environment.
2. Do we now need to focus on big fundraisers to keep up with requests?
3. Long term goal for PTO - would like to have students go to school with a real "free education" - covering out of pocket expenses for families (ex. Scholastic fees, school supply lists)
4. Great start to school so far, looking forward to the first full week of school.
5. Will be talking to the teachers about taking advantage of the Holmen Area Foundation grants

Treasure Report: (Kim Hollermann)

1. Setting this years budget
 - a. Change or adjust the budget from last year - look to approve the budget at October Meeting
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Officers Report (Amy)

1. June/July/August
 - a. Mini grant request approved
 - i. 2nd Grade Science
 - ii. Truflux- Old request
 - iii. Basketball nets- Dr. Weber
2. September Grant Requests in Progress
 - a. Playground accessories in progress
 1. Requesting replacement balls for the playground
 2. Requesting Sidewalk Chalk
 3. Waiting to see what the warranty and 100% satisfaction guarantee entails before approving and paying
 - b. Cricket Subscription (20 students for a year) Request at Meeting from Kazoua Yang
 1. Was requested as a PO
 2. New way to education the ESL Students
 3. Geared towards upper grades but even if the younger kids can not read they can see pictures
 4. Like Scholastic but more global - looking to try subscription for one year and if it is well received could be a yearly ask
 - c. Mini grant process in general
 - a. Do we need to be more specific with the process or requirements?
 1. We need to talk as a group and bring it to the parents attending.
 - d. Reviewed Calendar year projects/budget/ideas
 - e. Popsicles on the Playground for Kindergarten
 - i. Out of 70 kindergarteners - 30 turned up
 - ii. Successful for last minute event
 - f. Back to School breakfast (Ruth) - very well received

New Business

1. Fall future events
 - a. Script
 - i. Fall Sale - November
 1. Remind Dr. Weber closer to November
 - ii. Spring Sale - Date TBD
 - b. T-shirt fundraiser? Grade level, new design
 - i. Grade Level Shirts and New PV
 1. Working with Coaches Corner to get new shirt designs for an upcoming fundraiser sale.

- c. Fundraiser blankets
 - i. Buy first round of blankets now in two different styles
 - 1. There is a 45 day turn around time from date of order
 - 2. If we order now - gives us time for a second order if the sale goes well
 - 3. Blankets will be general Holmen Viking Themed NOT specific to Prairie View so that they are usable through the years.
 - d. Truck or Treat
 - i. Friday October 27th
 - ii. Hilary Dummer and Erin Knutson willing to help put this together
 - iii. Food at the event
 - 1. Looking into Food Trucks but there is a cost to having the trucks even come to the event
 - 2. Reach out to some of the local food businesses to partner with to have food and maybe use it as a mini fundraiser as well as providing food for the families in attendance
 - e. Holiday Shop event
 - i. Mixed feelings on the idea
 - ii. Looking for other ideas similar to the holiday shop
 - f. Volunteer form- 1 response
 - g. Staff Appreciation ideas, month, every other?
 - i. Discussed ideas from previous years
 - h. Teacher Conference night- November 14th and 16th
 - i. Discuss setting up this dinner in the October Meeting
 - i. Dining Night outs - attempting to have one each month
 - i. September →
 - ii. October →
 - iii. November →
 - iv. December →
2. Adjust time for PTO Meetings
- a. Planning to stagger times of the meetings to accommodate more people being able to come
 - i. 4:30pm/5pm one month - 6pm the next and then following that schedule every other month

Old Business

- 1. Back to school kits
- 2. Grade level t-shirts... when to do it - still unknown.



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