



MEETING MINUTES

September 7, 2018 | 7:00 - 9:00 pm

Present: Samantha Mendiola, Molly McLain, Dawn Feddersen-Poindexter, Katie Frey, Stef Thompson, Steve Uhler, Brooke Darst-Rice, Meghan Gencev, Leah Kuypers, Lisa Roberts, Anne Krocak

Absent: Katie Schroeder

Meeting began 6:37

- August Minutes approved

I. Principal update:

Spirit week: Mr. Uhler wants to make sure that every kid can participate in each day. Problem might be jerseys/sports day. Steve to talk to Julie Petersen about spirit week.

Cup art: Hale Bears yellow and blue. PTA has some concerns about the lifespan of the cups, how will they stay in, not keen on the use of plastic. Perhaps Ms. Katy might be interested in coming up with an alternative? Molly and Sam to email Ms. Katy and Chris at Mpls kids.

Lunchroom recycling: If no one volunteers for composting, then it all goes in the garbage. Chuck on Tuesdays is the only day that garbage gets sorted. Possible link on sign-up genius for procedural details on sorting in the lunchroom. Market our need to the community, through HPDL, churches, other community organizations and Nextdoor. Community ed. class? Samantha to rework the sign-up genius to reduce the ask to one day a week and offer more information on duties. Steve stressed the need for differentiation between ROT program volunteers and other parent volunteers in the lunchroom.

Imagination Lab: Painted. Waiting for furnishings. Ms. Johnson asking us to make purchases for her. Some money from PTA, some money coming from Achieve. PTA will use the money earned last year from the Summer Soiree Fund a need.

Teacher Gift Cards: 6 \$10 gift cards for staff during training week. Well received by staff.

Burroughs book drive: Ryan wanted to look into this. Might cut into our NoSale Fundraiser, where our biggest selling point is that we don't ask parents to raise money at any other time of the year.

School Supply drive: meeting on October 5. How do we make this more successful? One teacher per grade/specialist team to help with this project.

Household Essentials Drive: Reworking to provide supplies to neighboring school. Sam to check with Rachel to see if she would like to chair again. If not Stef and Anne will take it on.

II. Financials: PTA has paid for Insurance, School Directory, Computer programs, refrigerator for office, landscaping pots, carnival tickets, 4th grade art tiles (just under \$1000), Carnival expenses, landscaping mulch, teacher stipend, teacher appreciation, Roxy band payment (will Foundation pay for band? Sam to follow up).

III. Open House take-aways: Great food, great snacks. Ask teachers to make a PTA stop on their scavenger hunts.

IV. First Days Coffee: PTA offered coffee and donuts to parents on first days. Good turnout.

V. Things coming up this month: Box Tops collection due date October 24. Scholastic book fair. Pancake breakfast. Picture day. Carnival. Art Fair/Brew and Stew (2 PTA booths)

- PTA approved paying for supplies at the Brew and Stew, estimated to be around \$200. PTA to charge \$2 per craft at event.

VI. Exterior sign: Lisa Salvador to help PTA with Hale exterior sign options.

VII. Spirit Wear: Spirit wear will be available all year starting in November. Orders will be processed once a month.

VIII. Open Chair Positions: Chair for Brew and Stew, Science Fair, Carnival, Lunchroom Recycling

IX. Membership: We end up with about 25 paid memberships every year. Would we like to increase our efforts to get more members? We need a quorum to vote, and increased membership would make getting that quorum difficult, but more involved parents in the process is an ongoing goal.

Adjourn 8:45 pm