



PTO Meeting Minutes

October 5, 2023

12:30 p.m.

Attendance: (PTO) Emily Dunlevy, Lisa Cox, Katie Eller, Brittany Hemphill, Christina White, Jessica Clark, Mrs. Spenner, Brooke Klausmeier, Alana Johnson, Christina White, Katy Hemphill, Heidi Sugarman, Marcy Pippin, Stephanie Belk, Kristina Kokoska, Jen Emerick, Christina Baude, Candice Almquist, Christine Fournier (virtually) (Attendees)

Welcome: Emily Dunlevy

Principal Updates: Mrs. Spenner, highlight some staff, Mrs. Fairchild was asked to present at NC math conference, Mrs. Crider, self contained EC teacher, only school in the district that is a gen ed program. 5th graders help her class

Mrs. Scharsu, Mrs. Fairchild and Mrs. Spenner are presenting at the NC Principal conference in Pinehurst, will present data and numbers of how we strive for student growth in our school.

Updates: Lisa Cox

- Vote to approve Sept. minutes- Board vote is unanimous, Emily added action items
- Sponsorship packages for events & projects, we have sent package information to people who have inquired and we have added it to the weekly message. So far we have all movies nights, Fall family night of fun and service, covered by sponsors. Through the sponsors we are hoping to cover the cost of the events.
- There are maybe 1 or 2 spots left for the fence banners, banners are full year or half year
- Hornets Game- we are on the books for Jan. 19th vs. the San Antonio Spurs. There are different tiers of seats available. We have 24 positions that they provided as on court experiences for the children. Instead of 1st come 1st serve, names will be drawn for these positions to make it fair, maybe the 1st 100 names will be entered first? Just an idea.

Budget Update: Katy Hemphill- Overall doing good on budget so far. We allowed for \$6,000 for

attraction guides and we are a little under that right now.

Moving forward should not need to worry about any lingering or outstanding balances. We are using a new spreadsheet that should be more helpful moving forward to know all details of the budget

- We have a credit that we will be getting money back from our yearbook company.

General Updates: Emily Dunlevy

- Staff Meeting Updates
 - Emily and Lisa attended the staff meeting on Tuesday.. Shared information with them about the Family Service night. Staff was encouraged to share any feedback or questions anytime.

Feedback from staff on how they would like money to be spent on school

improvements. ● 1st choice class technology (smart boards), school safety, sensory room items, ● 2nd choice, tied with outdoor improvements and technology, Flexible sweating ● 3rd choice, outdoor improvements and safety.

- General wish list is the sensory room. Mrs. Spenner would like to work with Mrs. Crider on the items that she would like for this room to make sure that we get the specific items that she wants for this room. Jen has a list that was made last year that she can share.

- Updated events dates
 - The events schedule needs to be updated: We are proposing to do a holiday movie in December. Friday December, 8st.
 - Son + 1 game night is moving to March 8th
 - Decided to leave the Daughter date night on the same date.
 - Since we had an event planned for April, we will add an additional outdoor movie night on April 12th.

Attractions Guide: Kristine Kokoszka

- Update after sale- \$6,125 sales to this point. We will explore options for next year
- HawkFund plans are in the works

- Need help with reaching out to the teacher's who won the popsicle and pizza parties to see which days will work.

Family Events: Stephanie B. and Brittany H.

- Family Service Night Oct. 20
 - 5 service project stations- veterans, nursing home, first responders (bags) things that will help with the local community and tie in service.
 - Free Game stations with carnival games, Josh's farmer's market is making a Fall display where families can take pictures.
 - Temp tattoos are free
 - Paid activities- fairy hair (\$1), raffle plinko-\$1 per play- this is how you earn tickets for the raffle basket.
 - Site one is donating river rock that kids can paint on (Kindness rocks) and they will be placed around the school. Suggested to put it around the front sidewalk in the pine straw where people could see them.
 - Raffle basket is going to be s'more themed.
 - Food- pizza by the slice, popcorn, water, doughnuts and cider
 - coffee truck
 - WE NEED VOLUNTEERS
 - We are considering Site One and Josh's Farmer's market as sponsors for this event since they are donating items.

Yearbook: Emily for Amanda Northam yearbook sales have started. Prices go up in February.

5th grade pictures are due by November 6th

Staff Appreciation: Christina Baude, for October we are doing a trail mix bar station in the maker space.

Additional Questions & Comments

Closing: Emily & Lisa