

Tiffin Elementary PTO Minutes
September 17, 2019

Attendance: Mindy Fox, Jana Martin, Chris Shaver, Karen Hampshire, Mikki King, Rochelle Pruneski, Carissa Allen, Shawnie Mclellan, Nicole Arnold, Kirsten Bumb, Makenna Virag, Mike Newlove, Charlotte Lininger, Courtnie Williams, Trisha Eidt, Julie Alford, Donna Wiedemann, Natallie Jones, Wendy Rothrock, Bill Beaston, Erin Simmons, Teresa Marksbury, Laura Lewis, Sarah Scheiber, Judy Downie, and Michelle Tuite.

Jana called the meeting to order at 7:04 with the introductions of the new PTO officers for this year. There was a couple minutes to look over the minutes from April 2019 PTO meeting and review them. Motion was made by Carissa Allen to approve them and Seconded by Michelle Tuite. We then went around with introductions of who was there and how many kids they had or the position they had in the school system.

Treasurer report is from July 1, 2019 to today. Teacher stipends can be turned in at any time and please make sure that you cash your checks when you get them. Today there was a check written for Yo-Yo's that goes in and out of the account so it's a wash in the books. Motion approved.

Principals reports

Krout – Good start to the year and we have diagnostic testing done so we can concentrate on teaching now. We have a book fair coming up Oct. 7-10 with public able to come 5:30-7:30 on Thurs. and Bingo event too.

Noble – Fourth Graders are going to Heritage Village this Friday the 20th and on the 30th we have a visitor coming school to give a presentation (a Veteran).

Lincoln – Best start this year so far. She would like to give a tour next month to her new sensory room they are creating. This sat. the 21st Lincoln along with many community agency's and Jill Miller are going to be in the Heritage Festival Parade. The theme is Inside Out (the Movie) and anyone is welcome to come down at 9:30 and march in the parade with them.

Washington – Was unable to be there and there were no reports.

Sunshine Update

Cristy Shuff from Noble – her Husband died.

Librarian from Krout had an accident

Retired custodian Don Swartz wife died

Spirit Night -All went well for the night. We did have some longer lines at some events since we didn't have as much help. So the question was asked how do we know if you are short staffed and need more help? We did send out a survey to see how we could improve on this event in the future and we had good response on it. Most popular event was the inflatables. The total made on raffle baskets/edible sand roughly 150.00 after all expenses we paid.

Pep Assembly's – We did a spirit week to get ready for spirit night with students being able to wear different type outfits each day. On Friday we then had pep assemblies at each building with a few cheerleaders, few football players and a coach. We had VERY positive feedback from all buildings and the kids LOVED it. We are looking forward to maybe doing more of these in the future with integrating the high school students with the elementary. One idea brought forward was having

basketball students come at lunch time and eat with kids and play with them at recess.

Spirit Wear Gear

Sales are pretty good and we are still looking at a three week turn around time so the projected delivery date for merchandise is week of Oct. 9th. There were also online orders that we didn't know about. Steinmetz is doing all the work of sorting and we will deliver it to the buildings. If you have any questions about anything you are to call Steinmetz.

Fundraiser

Kick off is September 30 at all buildings. Tall Tim will be coming to Washington, Krout and Noble for assembly's. Teachers asked if they could get their packets before the assembly. **Changes** for this year is instead of daily tickets being drawn there will **only be 2 days a week** when tickets will be drawn and hopefully a PTO person will be there to help do it. There will be Limo rides this year too and the dates are already set for right before Thanksgiving. We are still looking into a venue to have the pizza party at. Michelle Tuite suggested First Lutheran Church and she was going to contact them for us. Another suggestion was brought forward for parents who do not want to sell the merchandise for fundraiser but yet wants to donate money towards it, we will pass out a donation form next week that you can send in instead. Pick up will be at Bus Garage again this year on Nov. 12th and we will not need any volunteers as of right now.

Trunk or Treat

Date is October 26th and the time right now is set for 10:30am to 11:30am rain or shine. We will do it inside if its raining. We may do raffles and donation of can goods and receive ticket towards raffle baskets. Still figuring that out. Michelle Tuite is doing the flier/donations. We will need people to sign up with decorated cars and donate candy.

Coat Drive

We will be collecting coats at each building for two weeks before Oct. 25th. The coats collected will be cleaned by Dale Depew and then distributed at Salvation Army on Oct. 25th. We will be collecting all sizes of coats from infants to adults. Plus if you know anyone who needs a coat, let them know about the distribution day.

Michelle Tuite also mentioned that they are working on a separate coat drive with a Boutique that they are creating in a garage by the administration building and they will have coats throughout the whole year for anyone in the district that may need a coat.

Room Parents

E-mails have gone out and folders were sent home to parents to be room parents so reach out to your teacher for any help they may need.

Blood Drive

The date is Oct. 29th after school and Bill Beaston has the fliers and we will need just 3 to 4 volunteers to help with that.

Santa's Workshop

We will look at this in the future but the dates are tentatively Dec. 2 to 7th. Hours may be extended after school and Michelle has jr high/ H.S special ed kids coming in to help run the registers and refilling supplies. (Its gives them learning experiences)

COSI

Nobles deposit is paid, Krouts has not but dates are planned and will reach out for volunteers when

the time comes.

Food for Conferences

Working on being able to feed teachers both nights but we will let you know if we can't. Dates are coming up soon.

Popcorn Day

Karen will be contacting principals to get dates in Oct. for their first nine week reward of popcorn for the year. We will also need 2-3 volunteers to help.

Kroger's rewards – is ongoing plus we are now registered to do Amazon Smile to get us rewards.

Box tops

There are changes coming with the box top process. We will not be doing competitions anymore with it. Also you will have to scan the box top and bring in receipts. There will be more information to come.

Requests

Question asked on where to find the request forms to fill out? They should be by all PTO mailboxes at each building.

First request : Wendy Rothrock is requesting scholastic News Magazine – two classes worth. They can be integrated in all area's of learning and you can do in classroom or from home online. Cost is 290.95 for them.

Second request: MaKenna Virag- Ukulele's – Questioning the storage/tuning of them. You can learn a lot from them. She currently has 11 of them and is asking for a full class worth. Cost is 720.00.

Third request- Brian Gaietto – Subscription to music K-8. Its bi-monthly subscription and his music he uses in class is 20 years old so this would give him new pieces to use and even perform. Can be used district wide. Cost is 129.95 for a year.

We are still looking to get our 2019-2020 proposed Budget Approved from our Principals and so until that happens we can't go ahead and spend too much money. Michelle Tuite motioned saying that since the scholastic magazines and the music subscription both contain literacy components to it, then she has Title one money to use so if PTO is OK with that we will do that. PTO officers approved that. Miss Virag does not need the Ukuleles til after Christmas so we tabled that request for now until we get our Budget approved.

Noble has a book fair coming up from Oct. 14-18 and she asked for some volunteers to help out on Oct. 17th. Theme for the book fair is Arctic and was wondering about getting Polar pop's to hand out. She has the paperwork at school for it.

Door Prize Ticket was drawn and winner was Carissa Allen. Meeting Adjourned at 8:10 and our next meeting is Oct. 15th at 7:00 at Lincoln.