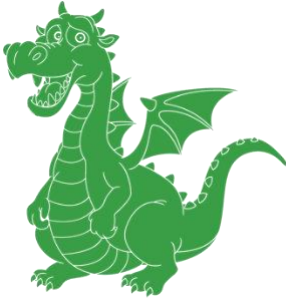


Meeting Minutes



**SUSICK
DRAGONS**

Susick Elementary PTO

Date: 3/13/19

Location: Susick Media Center

Meeting Called To Order By: Christina Coppola-Hanna Time: 6:07 pm

Attendance:

Christina Coppola-Hanna – President, Lisa Farrell – Vice President, Debbie McGee – Treasurer, Jill Burch – Secretary, Michele Babbish - Principal
Heather Wilson, Andrea Trost, Courtney Elwart, Jennie Phipps, Shane Cotton, Jolynn Stucky, Renee Evans, Amanda Waelchli

Open Floor:

Heather Wilson

Slingo – Parent’s Night Out

PTO members loved the idea – would like to survey parents on Bloomz to see how many would be interested in attending

An opportunity for parents to mingle with other Susick parents

Limited to adults 21-years old and older

\$20 admission/donation includes dinner and prizes

Slingo is a modified Bingo game using 13 playing cards.

Just like Bingo, individual cards are called and you must match certain amounts to receive different level of prizes.

Based on feedback, event may be more beneficial held at a hall

Proposed date: Friday May 10th

Presale tickets suggested

Christina Coppola-Hanna

Jimmy John’s Susick Day at the BallPark

Mina Switzer-Yang doing an excellent job coordinating the event

The flyer submitted looks great. – Suggested adding a “turn in slip” for presale of tickets.

We will have flyers professionally printed through a print shop for greater impact

Bloomz post to go out in the next week or so advertising event.

Flyers to go home mid-April with follow-up reminders

Encourage everyone to wear their Susick shirt

Renee Evans

Chuck E Cheese "Susick Day"

Shared information about an opportunity for Susick students to get together during Spring Break at Chuck E. Cheese

Benefit: 15% of proceeds will go back to the Susick PTO

Possible dates: Tuesday April 2 or Wednesday April 3

Advertise event on Bloomz along with a flyer

Christina Coppola-Hanna

Susick Staff Wish List

Crystal Standerwick suggested we ask teachers what their ultimate wish list would be since many are hesitant to ask.... So, we are doing the asking for them!

We will send around a flyer with possible ideas for supplies, or volunteers etc., and ask that they turn it into us in confidence.

PTO can't guarantee that every wish will be met, but we would like to do as much as we can within reason

Christina Coppola-Hanna

Teacher Appreciation Week Ideas

Different options for teachers discussed for the week

Decided breakfast Monday, special treat (possible Massage Therapist – Renee asking her sister) on Wednesday, Luncheon on Friday

Will also offer an Amazon Gift Card to staff for use of classroom needs

Opening up contributions from parents again this year to donate to their child's teacher's gift card along with the PTO stipend TBD

Christina Coppola-Hanna

Popcorn Fundraising

Offering opportunity for school groups or classes to host a Popcorn Friday

Students will help with the sales and delivery of the popcorn in return for profits from that day to benefit their specific needs

Example: Leadership team can use money raised for camp next year

Christina Coppola-Hanna

Green Club asked for \$100 donation to sponsor an animal at the Detroit Zoo in Susick's name. Request was granted

Amanda Waechli

Bowling Fundraiser

New fundraising idea for next year

Host a bowling fundraiser at one of the local bowling areas for parents in the fall

Opportunity to bring the Susick parents together as well as raise funds early in the year.

Jenny Phipps

- Sent in box tops

Officers' Reports

President: Christina Coppola-Hanna

- Mr. Strecansky requested \$450 for Field Day Bounce, June 4th House/Obstacle Courses. Request voted on and granted by PTO.
S. Cotton motioned J. Stucky seconded
- M&M Fundraising campaign – run by Heather Wilson with support from Kelly, Shane Cotton and Crystal Standerwick was very successful. Raised over \$1,400 to be used for new classroom rugs. Was suggested by Debbie McGee that we use the “competition” aspect of the event in our Fund Run next year since the kids and teachers had fun competing.
- Snowball Dance was a huge success and we received great feedback. Thanks to co-chairs Jill Burch and Courtney Elwart, along with the various volunteers who helped out during and after the event. \$99 cost to PTO

Vice President: Lisa Farrell

- February Skating Party at Skateworld raised \$309. We have a third skate coming up at the end of the year which will be at a discounted rate due to the success of the first two!
- World’s Finest Chocolate Bars
\$1.00 per bar, \$60 per box, Great fundraiser, need to be sure Parents are aware of signature for more boxes.

Treasurer: Debbie McGee

- Budget presented and voted on
C.Elwart motioned and J. Phipps seconded the motion
- Spring Carnival Friday, June 7th Food: HotDog, chips drink combo, Pizza combo, popcorn
Animals, bounce houses, Kona Truck, DJ, suggested to consider a photo booth.
More tables needed, send custodial request
- DAV box has changed owners, in contact to figure things out, have not received check since November

Secretary: Jill Burch

- Budget presented and voted on
 - A. Waechli motioned and R. Evans seconded the motion
- Thanks to all members that helped to make the Snowball Dance a success.

Principal: M. Babbish

- Thanks to help with iPads and support from Mrs. Montgomery
Changes with the year-round schools going back to a traditional calendar next school year. 75 Susick students were original Holden students, so choices by those families will be made as to which school to attend by the end of the year. Could impact Susick's enrollment numbers significantly.

- 5th Grade Graduation and End-of-Year Activities

PTO, headed by Jill Burch, will form a committee to explore new ideas to celebrate our "seniors" Will be reaching out to 5th as well as 4th grade parents for volunteers, ideas, suggestions.

PTO committed to providing refreshments at the ceremony.

It was suggested that the ceremony be held at night so parents that work have a better opportunity to attend, as well as making it more of a special event for the students – Mrs. Babbish will be exploring this idea with the 5th grade teachers.

Also suggested to have parents submit a special letter to their child which will appear in the graduation program. Use of powerpoint and video during the ceremony highlighting each student also suggested

- April 17th Events

Ned's Anti-bullying assembly for all students during the day

Math Expo at night for parents and students to attend. An opportunity to learn more about how math is taught at WCS. Food will be provided.

- March 26th District wide Writing Celebration

- March 27th – K – 4 Choir Concert at the PAC

- May 1st – Susick Spotlight Show at the PAC

- In need of Lunchroom Supervisors for next year, people who will want to shape kids

- Looking for a place to hold Kindergarten Camp due to renovations, please give suggestions

- District wide summer program will be offered this year. Transportation, breakfast and lunch provided

- With new renovations, looking to make Susick more welcoming with new lobby and new bulletin boards

- Suggested next year PTO start a Birthday board for students



Announcements

Next Meeting: Tuesday, April 9, 2019 6pm

Meeting Adjourned At: 7:41 pm

Minutes Compiled By: Jill Burch