



PTO Meeting Minutes

January 27, 2022

Virtual/Webex

Attendance:

PTO BOARD IN ATTENDANCE:

- Crystal Standerwick – President
- Susie Bellos – Vice President
- Debbie McGee – Treasurer
- Christina Coppola-Hanna – Secretary

MEMBERS: Rikki Mutter; Deanna Lumpkins; Jolynn Stucky, Michele Babbish, Jacklyn Mayer, Gracelyn (valdjonailo@yahoo), Courtney, Anne MacKenzie, Julia (nrudina@hotmail), Leandra, Mazeda Begum (begummazeda15@gmail), Frank Perry (ftperry@gmail), Jaki

Call to Order: 7:41pm (C. Standerwick)

President's Report: C. Standerwick

- November Book Fair Review
 - o Exceed goal set of \$7,000
 - o Total sales = \$8,957.08
 - o Media center will get a percentage of the proceeds directly from the sales
 - o Sticker sales helped raised money to offset taxes for students
 - o Mrs. Babbish:
 - Thank you to all the volunteers
 - Ms. Jill Baker – new media specialist from Hamtramck Public Schools, started in November
 - Importance of Book Fair is huge, well-received by staff and students
 - Ms. Baker surveyed kids to see what they would like to add to the media center. Will devise a plan as to how to spend the money based on suggestions and feedback. Lists of books per grades have been developed.
 - Will most likely take the cash payout from Scholastic to be able to purchase books from outside vendors whose books are more durable and able to withstand years of handling by school children.
 - Sidenote: Kids are so excited to be in a media center to be able to find books that relate to what they want to learn
- Raz-Kids Renewal
 - o Previously – 19 classrooms with two of those Plus memberships – cost was \$2,288.00
 - o Need to assess if teachers are still using Raz-Kids or if they have switched their curriculum to eSparks that is provided by WCS

- Mrs. MacKenzie stated third grade doesn't use Raz-Kids. They use eSparks since time is limited, they can't use both. Suggested surveying the teachers to see if they use it.
- Mrs. McGee informed that budget is tight, so need to really see if teachers use it or not – stress the importance of use or not when surveying the teachers.
- Action item: Will contact Raz-Kids to see what our options are as far as individual memberships
- Action Item: Will survey the teachers to get feedback

- Canceled Events due to COVID
 - Superbowl M&M Challenge – many absences of students with COVID daily, unfair to run a classroom contest
 - Valentine's Ball February 11 – indoor, COVID restrictions

- Upcoming Possible Fundraisers
 - Valentine Sucker Sales
 - Not doing Valentine Grams as in past, just sell suckers so it is easier and no feelings hurt if kids don't receive any from friends
 - World's Finest Chocolate
 - Spoke to rep to find out any COVID details, restrictions, etc since last time
 - Bagel Sales
 - Would like to begin bagel sales since office staff isn't this year
 - Preliminary discussion to see if this is what we want to pursue
 - Kids are excited for bagels and have been asking for them
 - Mrs. Lumpkins – offered to help PTO with the sales if needed
 - Spring Carnival – June
 - Mrs. McGee to elaborate

Vice President's Report: S. Bellos

- Nothing to report

Treasurer Report: D. McGee

- Current account holding: \$5,700
- Net account after check clearance = \$2,700
 - Cut check for Adrenaline Coupon Cards for \$3,000 to meet the contract of 300 sold
 - Fell short with fundraiser – only sold 225
 - 12 bundles still out = need cards returned or money returned, working on contacting each family individually

Secretary's Report: C. Coppola-Hanna

- Popcorn Fridays are a hit

- Held 3 so far, raised gross sales of \$616.25
- Proposal to purchase own shirt press machine
 - In the Mix Print Production offers packages for equipment and supplies for sale
 - May be a better option then having to meet minimum requirements for other vendors
 - More flexibility if we own the machine
 - Favorable responses from members
 - Mrs. Standerwick suggested we post on Bloomz first, to see if there are any families that have access to shirt vendors at a discount

Principal's Report – M. Babbish

- Thank you for PTO and all you do for us
- We need parent volunteers at Susick
 - Help during lunch
 - Hire lunchroom supervisors
 - Need background checks cleared on file
 - Various WCS positions also available
 - Kindergartener/First Graders - Realize parents haven't had the opportunity to tour student's classroom. As a parent volunteer great opportunity to do so
 - Winter Break: 2/21 – 2/25/22
 - Reminder for student's to wear proper weather attire for outdoor recess. Kids have the opportunity to be able to go outside for 15 minute recess during the day. Lunch time and class time.
 - Mrs. Mutter and Mrs. MacKenzie agree outdoor recess is great for students and students ask for it.
 - Laptops – students encouraged to bring them back and forth to school

Teacher's Report:

- Nothing new to report

Open Floor:

- Nothing new to report

Next Meeting: March 24, 2021

Meeting Adjourned: 8:18 p.m.