

GRAND PRAIRIE PTO MINUTES

May 14, 2018

IN ATTENDANCE: Megan Terry, Tiffany Sabatini, Kelley Houser, Bill Bilotta, Heather Whisler, Tina Schwab, Shawna Latarewicz, Rachel Wolverton, Marcie Stateman, Suzie Badertscher, Deb Bernard, Cheryl Airoidi, Bethany Smothers, Aimee Gipes, Andi Paplaski, Melissa Cavenaile

CALL TO ORDER

- Meeting called to order by President Megan Terry at 6:06 p.m.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

- Minutes from the April meeting were presented by the Secretary. Approved with a motion from Rachel Wolverton, second from Cheryl Airoidi, and a majority vote.

TREASURER'S REPORT

- April's Treasurer's report was presented by the Treasurer. Dates at the bottom are incorrect, and should reflect Apr 1-Apr 30 expenses. Approved with a motion from Marcie Stateman, second by Andi Paplaski, and a majority vote.
- 2018-19 PTO Budget – Proposed budget presented, highlighting the summary of changes from the 17-18 budget to the 18-19 budget.
 - Budget approved with a motion from Aimee Gipes, second by Tina Schwab, and a majority vote.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

- Thank you to PTO and families for Teacher Appreciation Week.
- **iReady** – completed final testing in April. Results will go home with 4th Quarter report cards.
- **Report Cards** – will be sent home on last day of school (K – 5/25, 1st-5th 5/29)
- **End of year events:**
 - 5/18 - 5th Grade Wax museum & Music performance
 - 5/21 - Wheel of Wisdom - all school assembly in 2 sessions
 - 5/23 - K Field Day
 - 5/24 - 5th Grade breakfast, Family Fun Zone, & Awards Ceremony
 - 5/25 - 5th picnic
 - 5/29 - Field Day 1st-5th
- **WILDCATS Countdown** – starts 5/17 with countdown days to summer spelling WILDCATS

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- ***Teacher Appreciation Week*** – Hollywood theme. Mon-Donuts, Tues-Redbox coupon, Wed-lunch and raffle, Thurs-Popcorn Buffet, Fri-Coupon for staff shirt for next school year.
- ***GP Scholarship Recipient*** – Awarded \$500 Scholarship to Rachel Kostelz.
- ***Recess Equipment*** – Latest plans had cost of \$20,000 so new plans are being drawn up for \$30,000 because of the success of Wildcat Warrior Challenge. Plans will continue over the summer, and will be presented early in next school year. Once the drawings are approved by PTO, we hope students will vote on the 2 options before installation.
- ***New Water Fountains***– It has come to our attention that our 4 new water fountains are not filtered. 2 of the fountains have been installed – the 2 purchased by district. Our PTO fountains have not been installed. Options include installing the other 2; returning the 2 fountains and use the money for other items; let the school purchase the 2 uninstalled fountains, and PTO

pay for a mat wall for the wall between PE and reading specialist room; or exchange the 2 fountains for filtered fountains and accept the costs of replacing filters (approx. \$1000).

- Motion to keep the original 4 water fountains by Karie Beck, second by Melissa Cavenaile, and passed with majority vote.

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- ***Wildcat Warrior Challenge*** – before fees \$19,247.55. After fees and prizes, total profit \$16,870.15 (more than doubled previous years).
- ***Mascot*** – We have been borrowing the mascot costume from Plainfield Central through a connection of Megan's. Cost to purchase our own is \$379.00 from the same company of the one we are borrowing. We would continue to use for Wildcat Warrior, but also other events.
 - Approval to purchase the mascot costume with a motion from Rachel Wolverton, second from Marcie Stateman, and majority vote.

TEACHER REPS

- 5th grade has the receipts for the end of the year events.
- Asking for the water coolers for the teacher Water Club to be replaced, as both are broken. Heather will talk with Jen about options.
- Miss P would like to push the PE \$400 from this year to next year. Looking to place an order at the beginning of the school year.
- Thank you for the appreciation week!

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- ***Yearbook*** – 5/22-5/24 yearbooks will be distributed and sold for \$20 at the beginning of the day. We have 87 left for purchase.
- ***CAPE*** – CAPE meeting was the same day as the Wildcat Warrior challenge, so no report.
- ***Family Fishing Event*** – 174 registered, but because of weather threat had 100+ attend. Taught 4 families to fish, awarded students for most fish, biggest fish, and sportsman.
- ***Family Night Out*** – No update from Portillo's. Chipolte was scheduled for May, but rescheduled with Culver's on May 22 from 5-8pm. Looking for teachers to serve for an hour.
- ***Pack 81*** – Thursday is last pack night before bridging. Mother/Son dance is Friday night. \$5 per pair with pirate theme due by Wednesday.

NEW BUSINESS

- Thank you notes shared from teacher appreciation week, nurse's week, and money donations.

ADJOURNMENT

- Meeting adjourned at 7:36 p.m. with a motion from Melissa Cavenaile, second from Cheryl Airoidi, and a majority vote.

Respectfully submitted by Kelley Houser, PTO Secretary.