

GRAND PRAIRIE PTO MINUTES

Jan 8, 2018

IN ATTENDANCE: Megan Terry, Tiffany Sabatini, Kelley Houser, Bill Bilotta, Heather Whisler, Vicki Lilas, Cheryl Airoidi, Tina Schwab, Talia Kulaga, Suzie Badertscher, Candace Savage, Ashlee Linneman, Marcie Stateman, Shauna Latarewicz, Rachel Wolverton, Wendy Wisneski, Melissa Cavenaile, Jennifer Waller, Aimee Gipes

CALL TO ORDER

- Meeting called to order by President Megan Terry at 6:05 p.m.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

- Minutes from the December meeting were presented by the Secretary. Approved with a motion from Rachel Wolverton, second from Ashlee Linneman, and a majority vote.

TREASURER'S REPORT

- December's Treasurer's report was presented by the Treasurer. Approved with a motion from Aimee Gipes, second by Tina Schwab, and a majority vote.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

- 1/15 - No school for Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday
- Weeks of 1/15 & 1/22 – iReady testing for K-5th grade
- ACCESS Testing – for ELL students, starts end of January/beginning of February
- 5 Essential Survey – 4th/5th grade students complete survey during media center time. We would like at least 20% parent participation to complete the survey.

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- Spring Fundraiser – FUN RUN at the end of April with assembly kick off a few weeks prior. Doing more of an obstacle course this year rather than just the run. Parents will be invited to watch.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

- Students of the Month – Recognized and awarded 2nd Grade students of the month, Kaitlyn Cantone & Robert Mitchell.
- ByLaws – Per Bylaws Article 14: Written notice shall be given to the general membership 30 days before discussing new bylaws or changes to current bylaws. An email will be sent out this Sunday (1/14)
- Family Movie Nights – Jan 18th, 6:00pm 3rd-5th grades *Emoji Movie*. Kids will be encouraged to dress as an emoji, DVD will be raffled off
 - Feb 22nd – *Cars 3* for K-2nd grade. Kids will make cars out of boxes, DVD of the movie will be raffled off.
- GP Scholarship Committee - \$500 scholarship to a graduating senior that attended GP. Scholarship application will be posted by PCHS.
 - Scholarship Committee Members – Bill Bilotta, Rachel Wolverton, Marcie Stateman, Cheryl Airoidi, Heather Whisler.

TEACHER REPS

- Paula Wrobel spent \$200 on gift cards for families for Christmas giving tree gifts.
 - Motion to approve \$200 for the Christmas gifts from Suzie Badertscher, second from Wendy Wisneski, and passed with a majority vote.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Holiday Gift Shop Recap – Used FUN services again. Feedback – prices good, products good, replenishing went quickly. Profit - \$2,079.44 including hot chocolate sales at Family Shopping Night. After requesting, we did have enough volunteers which added to the success of the event.
- CAPE Rep – discussed rezoning – all information is on the website for parents to read and understand. Decisions should be voted on 1/22.
 - CAPE Reception – no GP volunteers needed this year. CAPE Award nominations due to GP 1/29, and winner to CAPE by 1/22.
 - Alert Lockdown Inform Counter Evacuate (ALICE) training starting in HS. 2019/2020 will begin in elementary school.
 - Tom Hernandez fundraiser
- Family Night Out –Barnes & Noble (Dec) – total amount spent \$2,245 (\$40 online), so our profit is \$446 on gift card for the media center.
 - Marco's (Jan)– students decorate boxes after delivered on 1/22. Fundraiser night is 1/29 (K-1), 1/30 (2-3), 1/31 (4-5) They will put any menu item in any boxes. Can order whole family on any one night. Melissa will confirm whether Marco's wants boxes assembled. We get 15% of total sales.
- Box Tops – received our summer/fall check - \$668. Spring collection - sheets go home 1/15, due 2/16. Will take volunteers on 2/21 at 6:00pm for counting party. BoxTops numbers are down, so encourage Shoparoo and Amazon Smiles.
- Six Flags “Read to Succeed” – Reading logs went home in December, and are due 2/14. Still waiting to hear about Raging Waves log for physical activity.
- Pack 81 – Pinewood Derby race 1/20. Blue and Gold in Feb – award's night and 5th grade bridging to boy scouts. Will work on getting pictures of all dens for the yearbook.

NEW BUSINESS

- Fishing Family Event – Sat, 5/12. Pavilions are now available for rent.
- Communicating to parents – believe we cannot post unapproved minutes on the website, but can look into posting agendas.

ADJOURNMENT

- Meeting adjourned at 6:55pm with a motion from Candace Savage, second from Talia Kulaga, and a majority vote.

February – PTO/CAPE Awards Potluck – bring a dish to pass.

Respectfully submitted by Kelley Houser, PTO Secretary.