

# Robert Frost / Challenge Center PTO Meeting Agenda

Monday, November 9, 2020 @ 6:30 pm via ZOOM

Attending: Jennifer Stensaas, Alissa Hoekstra, Brett Hanes, Alison Hanes, Jay Kahl, Jill Koens, Jill Smith, Nicole Tupman, Tim Purintun, Dori Perkins

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## 1. Join Zoom Mtg

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## 2. Welcome and Introductions - Jennifer Stensaas

- a. Mission Statement - The purpose of our organization is to bring together the unique abilities of our parents to compliment the unique abilities of our teachers and staff in order to create support for our children's educational experience.
- b. Objectives - The objectives of this organization are to promote:
  1. Fundraisers and donations to support our school, activities and events.
  2. Social events to bring home and school into a closer relationship.
  3. Volunteer opportunities in the school.

## 3. Additions or deletions to agenda - Motion Tim P\_ and 2nd\_ Alissa H\_

## 4. Approval of September 2020 minutes - Motion \_\_Dori Perkins\_\_ and 2nd \_\_Jill Smith\_\_

## 5. Nomination and election of vice president - Alison Hanes

- a. Motion \_\_Jennifer S\_\_ and 2nd \_\_Alissa\_\_
  - i. Motion Passed

## 6. Chair reports – PAST events

- a. Fall Conferences
  - i. Teacher meals - Danyelle Cleveland
    1. School opted to have packaged meals delivered so the cost was slightly higher; BBQ truck and Hy-Vee.
  - ii. Book Fair - Jennifer Stensaas
    1. Was all online this year so it wasn't as successful this year.
    2. Total sales \$1600 so brought in approx \$400 profits.
    3. Mr Erickson does rely heavily on this so hopefully additional fairs can be in person or have increased response.

## 7. Chair reports – UPCOMING events

- a. Quiz Bowl - Jill Smith

- i. Quiz bowl is this Friday - all quizzes are taken online so all scoring happens immediately.
  - ii. Pledge collection and donations are all due back to teachers by 11/24.
  - iii. Goal \$16000; if every student were to collect \$25 in pledges that would be \$14000.
  - iv. This is the only organized fundraiser for PTO for the whole year.
  - v. Prizes - After the quiz bowl is completed there will be a funds counting and distribution of prizes including classroom and individual prizes.
- b. Spirit wear - Jennifer Stensaas
- i. We have an online store ready to open with Dakota Sports to offer various items.
  - ii. Dakota Sports has worked with other schools in our area.
  - iii. Final tweaks in process on the design.
  - iv. Shipping to the school then distributed to the classrooms. Jennifer to confirm if ship to home will be an options
  - v. Store dates TBD, Alissa and Lynn to work with PTO to help determine what would be a good time to launch this. Preferably after Quiz Bowl but before winter break.

## 8. Chair reports - ONGOING events

- a. Rewards Programs
- i. [Boxtops for Education](#) - Alissa Hugelman
    1. Download the box tops app to your mobile device or send clipped box tops to school and place in the collection bins (located in the entry).
  - ii. [AmazonSmiles](#) Rewards - (0.5% of sales, distributed quarterly)
  - iii. [Coca-Cola Give](#) - Jennifer Stensaas
    1. Use your mobile device to scan your coke caps @ <https://us.coca-cola.com/give/> or send to school and place in the collection bins.
    2. Each cap is worth .05 and look for codes worth more inside cardboard packaging
- b. [Ronald McDonald's Pop Tab Program](#) - Please continue to save your pop tabs over the summer! We have a volunteer that collects and delivers them to the Ronald McDonald House in Sioux Falls.

## 9. Principal's report - Mrs. Gillette / Alissa Hoektra (Admin Intern)

- a. Teachers really loved the BBQ truck & appreciated having the sandwiches
- b. Kids are working hard and looking forward to Quiz Bowl
- c. November 13th - final date for the special ed team to get all their return to learn IEP meetings completed.
- d. Working on keeping the school safe for all the kids and making sure to wear masks and maintain cleaning.
- e. Kids learning from home - teachers are working to push out content to them via SeeSaw so even at home they can keep up their learning (not the same as virtual learning).
- f. Any ideas on trends via in person or virtual - seems like it's evening out across the district comparing those switching
- g. Messages of gratitude - encourage people to send in any messages that they have.
- h. Shared some thankyou notes from the teachers for the conference meals and such.

## 10. Financial report - Tim Purintun

- a. Fundraising:
  - i. \$2993 classroom party money in; have started to get Quiz Bowl money in via the online
- b. Expenditures:

- i. Meals \$1246.43 - still have Winter conference meals to pay for next time; will have a donation request out to parents next time to provide more funds for this next time
- ii. Teacher Purchase Cards \$2842 - allocation to teachers to purchase classroom or fieldtrip needs; allocation to each teacher for the year.
- iii. Classroom Party Funds paid out \$2340 net positive on class parties
- iv. All PTO Funds are to support teachers & students

c. Present current budget status - Motion \_\_Jill Smith\_\_ and 2nd\_\_\_\_Jay Kahl\_\_

#### **11. Old Business**

a.

#### **12. New Business**

a. What can PTO parents do during this time of COVID to help / appreciate staff and teachers?

**13. Adjourn - Motion \_\_Alison\_ and 2nd \_\_Jay\_**

**Next PTO meeting will be January 6, 2021 @ 6:30pm via Zoom**

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