

PTO Meeting – Tuesday, March 4th, 2014

In attendance: Becky Olson, Steph Fischer, Dani Eppe, Tami Burkard, Melissa Nelson, Kristi Egland, Staci Wolff, Ms. Werner, Mr. Wright, Ms. Rhodes, Becky Pagone, Carrie Schmidt

President – Michelle Heath
Vice President – Tracee Beck
Treasurer – Laurie Stadheim
Secretary – Mali Teller

1. Welcome

2. Review of the January meeting minutes

- motioned for approval by Becky Olson
- 2nd by Steph Fischer

3. Treasurer Report by Laurie Stadheim

- Most revenue in from Pizza Bingo
- New line item to show Sky zone income. 1st check received from Sky zone fundraiser. Money is from Wellness Council to be used for Field Day.
- Conference Meals line item now shows budget for a carnival event cohosted with Kids Inc.
- Checking balance is \$13,117.62.

4. Pizza Bingo report by Staci Wolff

- Prizes were smaller but kids had more fun picking their own prizes.
- Overall the event and changes went well.
- Thank you to Staci Wolff for all her fun Pizza Bingo years and volunteer hours!

5. Quiz Bowl report by Tracee Beck & Michelle Heath

- Kids have until March 26th to collect pledges
- Need volunteers to read questions to kindergarteners and people to correct upper grades written exams
- Exam on March 28th (early dismissal day)
- discussion about upper grades taking tests on their Chrome books
- Fundraising goal is for technology in classrooms, books for Book Room and teacher's wish lists (already started)
- Discussion continued about Book Room

6. Rewards/Promotions report by Dani Eppe

- Over \$1100 submission on March 1st. Better submission than in past springs.
- Used Best Buy rewards points to purchase the Chrome book for raffle.
- Loaves for Learning promotion is off to a good start. Need 1000 labels to make a submission.

7. Book Fair report by Becky Pagone

- \$5000 in scholastic dollars to be spent by librarian Mrs. Haugrud.
- Choices of books through Scholastic dollars can't be used with the book orders so hard for our teachers to find titles they like/want. Spanish titles are also hard to find.
- Can take cash instead of \$5000 scholastic dollars. This fair would have netted \$1200 cash.
- Spring book fair is BOGO ½ off. We collect books and change for Hawthorne Elementary library.

8. Science Fair report by Kristi Egland

- registrations due March 14th.
- Fair is March 18th 6:30-8:00pm. Augustana students & professors will be the judges.
- Fischer Scientific is donating prizes. Kristi soliciting other prizes from Sanford's vendors.
- Promise Lab at Sanford Research Labs is reserved for us March 28th. Room for 24 students for 2 hours. Kristi is structuring prizes and attendance to the Promise Lab will be one of the prizes for 24 students.

9. Fabulous Field Day report by Michelle Heath & Melissa Nelson

- 2 inflatables are reserved, obstacle course and jump house
- structuring of the day has begun although events are a surprise
- sack lunches that day
- Committee has a plan A & B for inclement weather
- need lots of volunteers for the day!!

10. Art show/Ice Cream Social/half price book fair by Michelle Heath, Dani Eppe, Becky Pagone

- discussion about having a cake walk during the event
- April 11th 6:00-8:00pm

11. Kindergarten Round up report

- March 13th 3:30-6:00
- preparing for 125 families
- tours by 5th graders, tours of building & classrooms, snack in the lunchroom and meet the teachers

12. Principal Report by Ms. Werner

- Lost & found collection is abundant. Check tables at school functions and collection bins are always outside the library in the lunchroom hallway.
- Book Battles for 4th & 5th graders has kicked off. 18-22 books to read for the 1st round. 4th grade finals team Smarties going to Mark Twain. Musical Maidens will stay here to compete. Pink Fluffy Unicorns will be representing 5th grade at Mark Twain. Big Bad Book Readers will be here competing.
- Reading Challenge for the month of March. RFE is competing against Garfield. Our Student Council kicked off the event with a speech and skit. Winning school will enjoy seeing Mr. Wright camped on the roof during lunch recesses.

Meeting Adjourned motioned by Steph Fischer and 2nd by Becky Olson.