

PTO Meeting – Tuesday, January 13th, 2015

Attendees: Tracee Beck (President), Kristy Dillon (Vice President), Laurie Stadheim (Treasurer), Mali Teller (Secretary), Mrs. Moriarty (Music), Michelle Heath, Tami Burkard, Suzi Hernes, Mr. Wright, Ms. Werner, Nicole Osmundson, Nicole Valnes (teacher), Holly Hofer (teacher)

1. Welcome & Introductions

2. Approval of November Minutes - Kristy Dillon motioned to approve minutes. 2nd by Nicole Osmundson.

3. Treasurer Report – Laurie Stadheim

-over budget a bit on Pizza Bingo due to the need to purchase prizes.

-Rcvd \$1431 for Box Tops

-Teacher Conference Meals was changed how it was done this year so that's why it wasn't included in the budget. Money will not be collected from teachers for Spring meals.

-Spirit Gear bill was paid at \$2005.26.

4. Comments on Previous Events –

- Wellness Breakfast for 1st & 4th in December was a good turn-out. We will continue to have the same combination of grades for next school year.

-Sing a long was fun and more relaxed due to having 3 sessions this year. Signs for classrooms worked well. Discussion about what to do differently especially as we add to our population of students. One student was even surprised by an older sibling who was home from service training for Christmas!

5. Rewards/Promotions

-Box Top check came in the amount of \$1431.00. Next submission is March 1, 2015.

-Change in My Coke Rewards Program – changing from points based to a cash based program. This will change how we obtain prizes for other rewards programs and playground equipment.

-Volunteer Coordinator Report – This year we are seeing less people being able to volunteer. Discussion about waiting to obtain volunteers until just before the event rather than quarterly or at the beginning of the year.

6. Upcoming Events

-PTO Movie Night January 30th. Mr. Peabody and Sherman was the suggestion for showing. We will invite the families from Challenge Center so everyone gets introduced and the incoming students feel more comfortable.

-Discussion about Challenge Center coming to Robert Frost and the importance of creating a community within our building and educating current Robert Families about what it means to have the CC at our school.

-50th birthday celebration ideas; landscaping/planting project in memory of the 50th birthday, dedication of some kind, compilation in the form of a slideshow or photo albums of old photos from past years at RFE, open house for past students, neighbors, etc, Robert Frost float for the Parade of Lights in

November, 2015, time capsule, new school spirit gear to commemorate the celebration and forming of the new school.

-Art Show/Ice Cream Social – need to form a committee to assist

- Quiz Bowl questioning day will be March 27th (half day). Funds raised will be used for field trips, in house speakers or assemblies by grade. Teachers will be looking for ideas that fit curriculum. Additional funds will be held over at this year end to be available for use fall/winter of next year.

-Assemblies/ Artist in Residence (AIR) – Originally we talked about bringing Jumping Jill as an assembly but due to teacher recommendation, she will not be coming. Hoop Dancer cost \$500 and was not a good assembly. Mrs. Moriarty mentioned a music AIR coming. Sergei is a great assembly and provides the history and culture of select countries. \$1300 and SDAC provides half.

-2nd grade field trip to Brookings Children’s Museum. Cost is approximately \$6 per child. Chaperones are 1 adult/5 children. We have 112 2nd graders. Transportation cost is \$320/bus for a total of \$640. Tracee Beck motioned to use remaining in the assembly budget to fund the transportation cost of this trip. The admission fee will be paid for by the students/families. If this field trip for 2nd graders continues for future years, we would create an enrichment fund from quiz bowl funds. 2nd by Michelle Heath.

7. Construction Update – Ms Werner

-nearly finished all masonry work near new CC room and off MPR. Footings finished in K/1 wing. Most of the walls are up. Goal to get masonry work done in the next month. Inside walls have been completed but need to wait for warmer weather to continue the exterior. Electrical work was done over Christmas break.

Laurie Stadheim motioned to adjourn at 8:18pm. Mr. Wright 2nd.