

Robert Frost PTO Meeting – Tuesday, December 01, 2015

Attendees: Kristy Dillon (President), Shelli Masek (Vice President), Laurie Stadheim (Treasurer), Mali Teller (Secretary), Becky Pagone, Tracee Beck, Julie Person, Holly Hofer (2nd grade teacher), Nicole Osmundson

1. Welcome & Introduction
2. September meeting minute review
 - Motion to pass, Becky Pagone
 - 2nd by Laurie Stadheim
3. Treasurer Update – Laurie Stadheim
 - Current checkbook balance is approximately \$16,000.00
 - Anniversary Open house budget needed to be added at the beginning of the year
 - Reimbursement to principal for teacher P cards in progress. Reminder that PTO paid \$75 of \$125 they receive
 - History Bowl has typically been done in spring and change to fall has been a challenge due to new staff, creation of tests, too soon after the anniversary party and too soon after soliciting donations for the year
 - HB collected \$8,000 of \$18,000 pledged so far
 - no artist in residence
 - Looking into an all school assembly from Tass & Thaecker and Cultural Kaleidoscope
 - \$3/student carried over from last year for teachers to use as student enrichment
 - \$5/student allocated for this year for teachers to use as student enrichment
 - \$5,000 needs to be carried over for 2016-2017
 - Discussion about the amount raised from History Bowl and how much is currently available to us to spend on teacher wish lists. Currently, that amount is \$2000. PTO will attend teacher staff meeting to discuss plans for money and if anyone has urgent needs that need to be scheduled
 - Tabled further discussion/voting on spending until January 25th meeting

4. Approval of Vice President – Kristy Dillon

Nomination of Shelli Masek as Vice President by Laurie Stadheim

2nd by Tracee Beck

Unanimous yes vote

5. President's Report – Kristy Dillon

-Cardboard Challenge was a hit – next year we need to organize with janitors to recycle all that cardboard!

-Hobby Fair will be Thursday, January 14th

-Discussion about Library Friends and volunteers. Holly Hofer mentioned that not all teachers need or want library friends

- Website update – we are having trouble uploading new files. Issues have been resolved with the Ivey's who created the website years ago. We do have people willing to volunteer hours to keep the website updated. Kristy will get them connected with Tracee Beck to transition the job.

-Traffic and pick up and drop off discussion. Challenge center students are completing a traffic study with the city.

-Scrip Spelling Bee discussion. Shelli M found out that we pay dues each year but have not participated. Discussion about who has been paying this fee and how much and why haven't we participated. Many students would be excited to participate.

6. Book Fair Report – Becky Pagone

-We will be ordering books from scholastic using our scholastic dollars to hand out a book to each new kindergarten student who attends kindergarten registration in March

– no Grand event with grandparents due to lack of space. Still, income for the event was \$8000

7. Conference Meal comments by Holly Hofer (2nd grade teacher). Meals were great and appreciated by the teachers and staff. Workroom is a better location than the lounge based on the increase in staff this year.

8. Suggestion by Julie Person to host a restaurant fundraiser. Kristy will look into it. Panera, Taco Johns, Pizza Ranch, Pot Belly are all suggestions.

8. Adjournment at 7:31pm

Motion by Tracee Beck

2nd by Julie Person

*****Next PTO meeting is Monday, January 25th 6:30pm in the Robert Frost Library*****