

PTO Meeting Minutes

October 1, 2020

Call to Order 6:44 pm

Board

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Old Business (Shannon Cooley)

- Spirit Nights
 - PTO is trying to look at setting up maybe a week or a month for a smaller percentage to help drive more business to the vendors.
 - Tried the Grainery – that was a no.
 - Looking for a chair for the Spirit Night committee.
- Business Sponsors
 - We are doing well with the business sponsors and are over our projections at this point.
 - They are listed on the fence, website, and Facebook.
 - Huge thank you to all of our business sponsors this year.
- Fall Fundraiser (Otis Sale)
 - Online catalog sales are at \$22,000 so far.
 - Paper order form sales are approximately \$26,000 so far.
 - PTO will receive a percentage of the sales. Will have final numbers at next meeting.
 - Delivery will be in early November.

Budget (Eve Paquet)

- Opt-out Fundraiser
 - Currently doing well and over projection at \$8,485.
- Business Sponsors
 - Currently at \$7,707.80 with various sponsor levels and in-kind gifts.
- Carnival is currently -\$949 due to refund some auction items that were not able to happen due to the school moving to eLearning the last 2 months.
- Seeing more teacher reimbursements are coming in this year.
- Discussion occurred regarding how the new counselor will receive reimbursements. PTO set up for the Guidance Counselors to receive \$250 each and they can also request mini grants. Mr. Marshall noted that there is a new program this year Character Strong. It is being piloted as they phase out the 8 keys which is 9-10 years old. The training has become expensive and 50% of the teachers have not been trained (training is now more expensive). They will be starting with "Respect" and there will be expenses for material and banners. PTO suggests that they apply for a mini grant to cover this.

Mini Grants (Shannon)

- None

New Business

- Boo Run (Eve Paquet)
 - Price is \$20 and they are offering virtual or in person.
 - The shirts are not free but you get the race and medal.
 - If you run, email the PTO so Eve can submit a list to the organizers.
- Book Fair
 - Fair will run October 12 – 25th and will be virtual.
- Fall Event (Shannon Cooley)
 - The PTO has talked about different ideas to try to hold something similar to the trunk or treats done the last few years.
 - Mr. Marshall indicated that the district will not allow this type of event at this time.
 - Mr. Marshall did indicate that the kids will be able to dress up as in the past and that they will have Halloween parties although parents will not be able to attend. Anything sent from home will have to sit for 3 days so the supplies for the parties will have to be there on the Monday October 26th. No perishables (cupcakes, cookies etc.).
 - The district is suggesting masks under masks.
- Santa's Workshop
 - The Workshop is cancelled this year. The logistics simply are not possible with the need to social distance.
- School Supply Kits (Rosann Scattoloni)
 - PTO will stay with the same vendor for this school year. They have been good partners and good on communication. They responded quickly to the handful of box tops that were slight crunched at delivery and sent new tops for the boxes before they were delivered to classrooms. They were also able to provide the Clorox wipes and purell which was very difficult to find in the area in early August.
 - The vendor does have a program that allows for home delivery which the PTO will look into.
- Dividers
 - The school is needing 150 more dividers as kids return to the brick and mortar modality from eLearning. This also means 300 more stands. Those will be completed by October 10.

Notes and Upcoming Dates:

- October 9 – End of Quarter 1
- October 12 – Record Day – No School
- November 6 – Picture Day
- November 11 – Veteran's Day – No School
- November 23 – November 27 – Thanksgiving Break – No School

Meeting adjourned 7:03 pm