

PTO Meeting Minutes
Monday, May 13th, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 3:32pm.

-The attendants first began by reciting the pledge of allegiance.

Those in attendance included: Mrs. Logan, Mr. Newton, Brittney Brewer, Karen Johnson, Amanda Ortega, Lissette Frausto, Valerie Franzen, Rebecca Ruf, Melissa Wojno, Beth Dennert, Jessica Bultema, Becky Sczesniak, Becky Smotrilla, Joanne Pratt, Brittany Bowen, Tiffany Kelley and Shari Kacius.

-Kahler's principal Mr. Newton first began by speaking about the upcoming transition of 4th grade students to Kahler. The students will have an orientation next Monday (May 20) with a parent meeting scheduled for that evening. The students are in class for 90-minute blocks and are physically separated from the rest of the school in their own hallway. The 5th graders will only interact or be around other grades when they are in the halls going to their special or lunch. Their specials run for 9 weeks at a time and include: gym, art, music and technology. Students are able to join athletic teams once they are in 6th grade.

-Mrs. Logan spoke next about the fall fundraiser. We have been doing this fundraiser every other year and while run by the PTO, the monies collected are donated back to the school. There are strict rules about how funds collected by the schools are used in the general fund; these rules are much laxer when it comes to the PTO. Mrs. Logan discussed how organized and great the company is at setting up the fundraiser, handling and processing payments and also shipping the products. For this year, the only products available will be Mrs. Fields cookie dough. In the past, this has been the biggest seller and provides a good profit for the school. The fundraiser typically starts the 2nd week of school and runs until the 2nd week of September.

Mrs. Logan also spoke about the construction that will begin at the entrance of the school. It will begin the week after school is out and will take most of the summer to complete. The floor tiles in the hall will also be replaced; all of this is possible due to a grant.

-January meeting minutes motion to approve by Becky and seconded by Jessica.

-Brittney discussed the budget since Denise was absent

- Amazon Smile generated \$17-Need to work on pushing this as this is an easy way to generate more money for the school

- Box Tops (second collection)-\$200 (\$1050 total for the year)

 - Box Tops are moving over to a scanning system with less clipping, ask people to continue saving both ways

- Ladies Night Out-\$623

- Vote for Incentive Money for teachers \$1000 to be split amongst the teachers to be used for classroom rewards. Motion to approve by Karen, seconded by Beth.

-Talent Show. Katy wasn't present but still looking for parent volunteers for both morning and evening performances. According to Mrs. Logan, they are planning a few before school rehearsals and are working on getting digital copies of music.

-Benches. Karen provided an update on benches, will be done sorting over the summer. Benches can be stored in the school if needed, bench in front won't be installed until office construction is completed this summer. Also discussed engraving vs getting a plaque made for the benches, unsure of costs associated at this time. Will discuss with board members via email over the summer to determine which choice is better. Price for engraving cannot be given until benches are ready to be ordered and picked up.

-Rebecca discussed ways to include new families in PTO and how to get the word out. Stated that at the beginning of the year, didn't know that the blue paper was from the PTO. She added she likes the GroupMe app and finds that is a good way to distribute PTO related information. She would like to make a flyer for Back to School night that could clearly describe roles of PTO more clearly.

-We said goodbye and thank you to Denise as this was her last year as treasurer. We appreciate her years of service and dedication.

-Vote-Rebecca was voted in as the new PTO treasurer, we look forward to working with her. Rebecca stated she and Valerie would be doing the gift card fundraisers again in the fall including: Texas Roadhouse, Baker's Square and maybe pizza? They are open to and welcome any other ideas people have.

-The meeting was adjourned at 4:14.