

PTO General Meeting Minutes

April 19, 2017

Attendees:

PTO Board- Juli Watkins (President), Kyle Boeglin (VP Fundraising), Shannon Brandow (Treasurer) and Vicki Kravitz (Secretary)

Staff- Joanne Emmons (Kindergarten) & Jennifer Johnson (Kindergarten)

PTO Members- Heather Myhr, Brett Martin, Shannon Fenske, Ashleigh Farrell, Nicole Heisser & Alishia Sandecki

1. Call to Order and Introductions

2. Principal's Report Lacey was unable to attend the meeting.

3. Teachers Report- (*A different group of teachers presents at each PTO meeting*)

The Kindergarten Teachers, Joanne Emmons and Jennifer Johnson, presented their classes' Original Creation from their Artful Learning Unit of Patterns. Students individually decorated a square of fabric with various patterns and then the squares were sewn together creating a Quilt. The quilts will be raffled off in the classrooms and monies raised will be used to support additional Artful Learning Units. Their Master Work for this unit was Beethoven's 5th Symphony.

4. Officer's Reports

- a. **President- Juli Watkins-** Juli discussed the following:
 - **Read-A-Thon-** We raised \$5,145 with 171 students participating. While we didn't make our goal, overall, the students enjoyed the fundraiser with the Scavenger Hunt and Staff Favorite Picks. The funds raised will go towards painting the Media Center and possibly supporting the Nickels for Novels fundraiser.
- b. **VP Fundraising- Kyle Boeglin**
 - **Read-A-Thon-** see above
- c. **VP Communications- Shanequa Baker** was unable to attend the meeting, however, there is nothing new to report.
- d. **Secretary- Vicki Kravitz** The PTO Binder with past minutes and bylaws are located in the school office and are available upon request.
- e. **Treasurer- Shannon Brandow** Shannon discussed the Budget Variance and Checkbook Activity documents. Additionally, Shannon pointed out that we currently have \$1,000 allocated for Teacher Appreciation Week and \$700 for Muffins With Mom-see New Business (below).

5. Minutes: Review of minutes from 3.8.17- Minutes approved (10:0).

6. Grant Requests- There were no grant requests, however, Shannon presented information from Amy Osborn about items that Amy would like to purchase for the Maker Space. The funds for these items have already been granted from the Fun Run fundraiser, however, since the items in question are fairly expensive, Amy wanted to make sure the PTO was made aware of her plans. As a reminder, \$15,000 was allocated by the Fun Run and Amy has currently used approx \$2,000 of those funds. Amy is planning on purchasing 3 BeBots which are programmable robots for the kindergartners and 1st graders. The cost for the BeBots are \$750 apiece and they require various learning mats which are an additional expense. Additionally, Amy is planning on purchasing 12 Lego Programming kits for the older students. The price for Lego kits are \$176 apiece. There were no concerns voiced about these purchases,

however, there was an additional suggestion of a Dash & Dot programmable robot.
Action Item- Shannon to forward the Dash & Dot suggestion to Amy Osborn.

7. New Business-

- a. **Teacher Appreciation Week-** Ashleigh Farrell has put together another fun filled Teacher Appreciation Week. In addition to the breakfast, lunch, treats, etc. that she has planned, Ashleigh is looking to install a Free Little Library at Meadow View. She is requesting gently used donated books.
- b. **Muffins with Mom-** Brett Martin will be working to put this function together and is requesting help (ideally other dads). An RSVP sign up will be sent out closer to the date. Last year we had 425 mothers and students attend.
- c. **2017-2018 PTO Board Slate-** The following individuals have indicated interest in serving on the PTO Board next year:
 - **Co-Presidents- Brett Martin & Juli Watkins**
 - **VP- Tanya Nobel- Tanya currently has been responsible for establishing Spirit Nights**
 - **Treasurer- Shannon Brandow**
 - **Secretary- Alishia Sandecki**
 - **Staff Member at Large- Nikkole Anderson**

Shanequa Baker will continue to be a point of contact with the PTO and staff, however, she will no longer serve on the PTO Board. The vote for the Board will take place next meeting (May 17, 2017).

8. Teacher Dismissal

9. Committee Breakout & Discussion of Immediate Needs (See New Business above).

10. Monthly Drawing for Parking Spot- Kyle Boeglin was the winner of the PTO parking spot.