

PTO Minutes
September 6, 2016

Attendees: Jen Kopp, Jason Kopp, Jess Beck, Cheri Cottrell, Natalie Smith, Faith Slaugh, Grace Slaugh, Jaime Danielowski, Blythe Stein, Shane Stein, Louisa C. Malesker, Chip Patterson, Lindsey Baker, Elizabeth Cowher, Kanen Dill, Natalie Smith

President's Report: Introductions were made

Secretary's Report: Motion to approve the August minutes: Blythe Stein; 2nd by Louisa Malesker.

Treasurer's Report: Checking balance - \$20,244.53; Savings balance \$10,175.91 plus interest as no recent bank statement received yet. No funds in. Expenses - principal fund and teacher room money. Motion to approve treasurer's report: Shane Stein, 2nd: Jason Kopp

Principal's Report: Good start to school; there was one night that was a disaster for buses, delayed buses by 30 minutes due to full roster check and miscommunication with transportation department regarding the delay; new bus company is doing more to improve routes and timing; He expressed thank you for principal fund and gave explanation of principal's fund.

Teacher's Report: Ms. Smith presented for teachers. Thank you for teacher room monies and thank you notes passed around. Otherwise nothing critical to report.

Committee Reports:

- **Kindergarten Popsicle Party** - Blythe and Shane Stein handled; good turn out; lots of popsicles handed out
- **Membership** - Blythe Stein is handling. Good turn out so far, \$152 income, membership list created
- **Store Rewards** - Jen Kopp explained rewards programs and easy way to earn money for PTO just by shopping. Giant registration starts 9/12, Shurfine, and Rutters needs \$1000 in purchases to get \$50 reward and can participate in Rutters twice a year.
- **T-shirts** - Louisa Malesker is handling. A lot of orders have come in, will double check with roster to see who is missing; forms are due Friday
- **Directory** - Cheri Cottrell is handling; forms are due Monday, many forms coming in
- **Box Tops** - Jess Beck is handling; Blitz will be 10/24-10/28; trying to come up with a way for all the kids to get something for participating and then the winners get something extra
- **DFSC/DAEF Fall Festival** - Scholarship Committee and Education Foundation hold event on the high school campus on 10/1; \$6 wristbands includes bounce houses and games; pto providing 2 baskets for silent auction, there is car show, food, crafts, used book sale, 5K and we donate 3 of our games for use
- **Family Fun Night/Activity Night** - Rescheduled due to same weekend as Homecoming; now Jan. 6th from 6:30-8:30pm at middle school gym, cafe and pool
- **Assemblies** - Jenn Leader is handling; no update yet but planning is in progress
- **Family Dinner Nights** - Minda Mattoon Pletl is handling; Sept is Panera Bread on S. Queen St from 4-8pm on 9/28

New Business

- **Fall Clothing** - Megan Landis is handling; contacting companies about spirit wear; delivery will be in time for Christmas
- **Fall Fundraiser** - Megan Landis is chair; Greater American Opportunities company, selling Save Around book for \$25, everyone will get one to take home to sell, also selling Cookie Dough and Cinnabon Rolls, pto does offer buyout if want to participate but not want product; assembly to kick off fundraiser on 10/4, will run through Oct. 18th and be delivered in time for Thanksgiving
- **Conference Babysitting** - chairperson is needed; Nov. 17th is first night of conferences, explanation of clearances for this event
- **Bricks 4 Kidz** - pto did this for a few years, missed last year due to scheduling; need chairperson; explained program as after-school program where approx. 20 kids get to do activities that are Lego-based, approx. cost is \$60 for 5 weeks, company asks for a helper each week

Unfinished Business

- **Activity Chairperson positions** - signup passed around
- **Budget for 2016/17** - review of new items such as bus driver appreciation, 3rd grade incentive; Motion to approve 2016-17 budget made by Blythe Stein, 2nd by Louisa Malesker. Questions were asked on what is Artist in Residence - every other year an artist comes into the school and works with the students using their artistic medium to support the curriculum; explanation of difference between assemblies (only our school) and performing arts (all elem. Ptos and DAIS go together on assembly); family dinner night money from last year slated for new playground equipment to replace hanging bars; 15 were in favor of budget, there were none opposed and none abstained. Motion carried.
- **Newsletter** - chairperson needed; explanation of responsibilities
- **Pictures** - question was raised if we can collect pictures from parents? Need to check on how to collect and store photos, need to check on do not photograph orders in office before posting

Next meeting - Tuesday, October 4, 2016 @ 7pm Guest speaker: Dr. Dyer

Newsletter Deadline - Monday, September 26, 2016

Motion to Adjourn: Louisa Malesker, 2nd: Jason Kopp