MLR PTO Minutes

Thursday, October 5th, 2023

MLR Library

Attendance:

Kassie Cote, Katie Winberg, Shelly Blake, Kristin Van Court, Heather Galvan, DeCelia Brungardt, Rebecca Eller, Saleena Battin, Dana Johnson, Heidi Feyerherm-Smith, Halye Emig, Devin Reinbold, Katie Snapp.

Call to order & Flag Salute:

Initiated by PTO President Kassie Cote

Secretary's Report:

Reviewed September Minutes; voted on and approved by PTO members.

Treasurer's Report:

The main financial activities for this month were the Book Fair and Fun Night. Shelly filed the annual 990 report. We are looking for a new treasurer for the 2024-2025 School year.

September Treasurers report reviewed by members, voted on and approved.

Committee Reports:

Book Fair- Brought in \$2,282.92 to PTO, hands down our best book fair yet as this was \$300 more than what was brought in last fall. The sign-up genius was wonderful and truly helped fill in all of the spots needed for volunteers.

Fun Night- Brought in \$13,125 to PTO, which is about \$1000 less than last year. We seem to be on a downward trend and are looking for opportunities to help increase the profits. Possible ideas include doing a 50/50 raffle and charging more for concessions. Another recommendation was to have a more kindergartener friendly bounce house. Overall, it was a huge success and we're so grateful for all of the volunteers we had to pull this massive event off!

Marathon- 383 students will have completed the marathon this year. Be on the lookout for a google survey in the future for suggestions on how to make this event even better!

Clothes for Kids- Still in desperate need of low-cut neutral socks for 3-5th graders, size 5-6 everything for boys. And women's low-cut socks.

Fundraisers- Our Gourmet to Go Fundraiser brought in \$30.

Picture Day- It went really great, and they were even running ahead of schedule, which never happens! Great Volunteers make all the difference!

AR Store- Will be held on 10/18 in the library. They will still accept trinket donations, but they feel like they're ready to go right now!

Spirit Wear- We will have another store open from 10/30-11/19 with winter options for ordering. Custom Mustang socks will be available for ordering via paper order forms. Everything will arrive in time for Christmas.

New Business:

Teacher Wish Lists- Applications went out at the beginning of October and are due by 11/21. These will be reviewed by a committee and voted on at the January meeting.

Pride Shirts- Designed with the Meadowlark Logo and are currently in the pricing stage. Most mockups are coming out overpriced at \$3200 (budget is \$2600).

Talent Show- Mrs. Eshleman is stepping down from leading this and we'll need 2-3 volunteers to take over if we still want to have the talent show in the future.

NED Show- Will be held on 10/17 as an all-school assembly. This is free to us, paid for by the school that went before us with the sales of yo-yos. Our students will have the opportunity to purchase yo-yos to keep the program going for the next school the week of the show.

Old Business:

Executive Officer Slate- voted on and approved. The Treasurer position will be opening up at the end of this year. Ideally, we would like to transition by the end of April.

School Laminator- Was fixed and is working properly for the time being!

Author Visits: District wide Author Visits were voted on and approved for \$400. The kids have already had their first experience with Peter Reynolds, and it was very well received by the students!

Body Venture- \$500 was voted on and approved by PTO. This will be held on 11/16 at the school and 8-12 volunteers will be needed the night before to set up.

Kindergarten Doll House- \$200 was approved by PTO for a doll house for the kindergarten students of Mrs. Wilson's classroom. We received a thank you letter from students with a photo of them playing with the dollhouse.

Principal's Report:

Conference Meals- were a huge success and the teachers had plenty of leftovers to enjoy. They were very much appreciated!

Marathon/Color Run- the color run went well and was enjoyed by all.

Halloween- the parade will be held the morning of 10/31, weather permitting, it will be a lap around the outside of the school. Parties will be held in the classroom at whatever time the teachers choose.

Next Meeting:

11/2/2023 at 6pm in the library. Childcare provided.