MLR PTO Minutes

Thursday, February 1, 2024

MLR Library

Attendance:

Kassie Cote, Katie Winberg, Shelly Blake, Kristin Van Court, Heather Galvan, Rebecca Eller, Dana Johnson, Jessica Billinger, Meghan Hessman, Ashley Visocsky, Kayley Hurley.

Call to order & Flag Salute:

Initiated by PTO President Kassie Cote

Secretary's Report:

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

Treasurer's Report:

The main financial activities for this month were from the Book Fair income finally depositing. Primary expense for the month was the Body Venture finally debiting the account. We are still looking for a new treasurer for the 2024-2025 School year.

Januarys Treasurers report was reviewed by members, voted on and approved.

Committee Reports:

Conference Meals- Planning for the larger meal to be served to teachers on Wednesday evening of conferences, with leftovers served for Thursday. Considering changing this for the next round of conferences, if teachers have an preference of when they would like to have the more substantial meal served. The possibility of having snacky items served on one of the days might be an option, as well.

BINGO Night- Ashely Visocsky, BINGO chair, reported: Scheduled for March 26, 2024 from 4:30-6pm. It will be \$1/card and 1 card/person, mostly via presales. Trinket sized prizes are always appreciated if anyone is interested in donating. This will be a come and go event, so no need to stay the entire time. Snacks will be provided via the ESSER funds given to MLR for Community Involvement. Volunteers will be needed for this event, so if you have any interest, please contact a PTO member!

Old Business:

Teacher Wish Lists- Buffy has ordered everything so items should be arriving soon for teachers to use. We did end up using the remaining \$300 for the SPED teacher and Art teacher.

Special Projects- Music Program Stage that was discussed previously isn't an option as it will cost in the \$15,000 range. Also, Lakewood isn't an option for music performances per Mrs. Eshleman. So we'll continue exploring additional options at this time.

PTO Officers- New officers will be needed for the 24-25 School Year. We'll be looking for a new Vice President and Treasurer. We have had some interest in the Treasurer position, so the PTO Exec board will be reviewing our options and will plan to report back in the upcoming meetings.

New Business:

Holiday Party Box- Katie Winberg suggested this option to help room parents with activities for class parties. May of the seasoned parents have party games that could potentially be recycled for other classes to use in the future. Figuring out a check out system (Google Sheets?) might be difficult, but doable. We will continue to look at options for this.

Kindergarten Field Trip- Mrs. Burgoon is pursuing an end of year Kindergarten field trip again, most likely to the Fieldhouse. It would be on 4/19 with 67 students at a cost of \$5/student, so essentially a total of \$500 for the Fieldtrip (bussing included). PTO members voted and approved this event for the Kindergarteners.

Bounce Houses for Play Day- Mr. Z is wanting to have 2 bounce houses for play day with an approximate cost of \$800. This was a huge hit last year and most of the surrounding elementary schools also have bounce houses for their play days, so we need to reserve this early. We plan to include this in the Play Day budget for next year. PTO members voted and approved this line item for Play Day.

Hearing Screening Volunteering needed for March 20th- Volunteers will be needed to have students walk to and from the classroom for their annual hearing screening. Volunteers will also need to complete an official USD 305 Volunteer form online prior to the screening. This will be required for all volunteers moving forward as a district policy.

Popcorn Machine- MLRs current popcorn machine is not repairable at this time, though it has been attempted to be repaired numerous times. There is a new, comparable model for sale at Sunflower Restaurant Supply for \$300. PTO members voted and approved this purchase.

Principal Report:

Spring Break- Will be held March 8-17, there will be no school. Please enjoy the break!

Parent Volunteers- All volunteers will need to complete an official USD 305 Volunteer form online prior to the screening. This will be required for all volunteers moving forward as a district policy.

NEXT MEETING:

February 29th, 2024, and Childcare is always provided. Childcare will be in the Big Gym, as our basketball team has now finished with practices for the season.