

Minutes for PTO Meeting January 11, 2023

Meeting held at Hickory Center Elementary School

In Attendance: Amanda Fudge, Kari Akey, Katie Fultz, Sarah Beth Shaffer, Molly Golden, Jenn Fitch, Roanne Marlow, Stephanie Koenig, Chris Etter

- Meeting called to order at 6:32pm
- Minutes from November 7th, 2023, approved Sarah Beth Shaffer and Katie Fultz

Old Business:

Treasurers Report: Katie Fultz

Budget updated. Approved by Sarah Beth Shaffer and Kari Akey

Completed Fundraising Event Committee Reports

November Movie Night: Amy Johnson/ Amanda Fudge

- 111 kids participated, Collected \$777
- There were many issues with student behavior during the November movie night and did not have any teachers present. Asked teacher reps to send communication to staff that it would be extremely helpful to have at least 1 teacher in the gym for the entire movie to help manage student behavior. A sign-up sheet is on the fridge in the teacher's lounge.

November Popcorn: Kathy Phillips/Amanda Fudge/Kaylin Nichols

- Updated the volunteer sign up. There were two volunteers that did not show up who had signed up in November and December. Hoping the updated sign up will send reminders via email as indicated on the website.
- Collected \$87.52

November Spirit Wear/Popup Spirit Wear Sale: Katie Fultz/Sarah Beth Shaffer

- \$274.61 for the quarter from Game One.
- Pop up sold 73 items. \$5 profit on each item. It was asked/requested that we have another pop up in the spring. This is TBD.

November Dessert Dash: Carmen Albany/Kamie Libey (Amanda Fudge reporting)

- Collected \$1,240
- Total cost \$910

- Profit \$330

December Holiday Shop: Katie Fultz

- Success! \$9000 made overall with a profit of \$2195.

It was difficult to get parent volunteers this year. Discussed having two parents from each classroom volunteer to help during the assigned time. Teachers would need to send an email to the parents for them to sign up.

New Business:

Open PTO Positions: Volunteer Coordinator and Enrichment Coordinator

- Keli Little has offered to be the Volunteer Coordinator for the remainder of the year.
- No volunteers for the Spring Enrichment Coordinator so Amanda has started planning classes.

TLC/Ways and Means: Sarah Beth Shaffer

- Next staff luncheon will be 1/17

Communication: Sarah Starcher

- No report

Silent Auction: Molly Golden

- Week of March 18th
- Baskets will be given out to the winners the following week.

School Pictures/Yearbook: Chaylee Anderson (Amanda Fudge Reporting)

- Yearbook order forms were placed in teacher's mailboxes on 12/21.
- Yearbooks are \$20 and all orders will need to be submitted by 3/13/24.
- The cover contest winner was Rinnah Johnson in Mrs. Spurgeon's 5th grade calls. 2nd place was Makenley Harter and 3rd place was Haily Ford. There was lots of creativity, and all the participants did a great job.
- Group photos will be Friday February 9th. Inter-State staff will be at the school at 7:30am. Photos will start at 8am. The following groups will be photographed... Band, Student Ambassadors, Math Bowl, Student Advisory Board, RAKtivists, Yearbook Cover Winners, Cross Country, and the 5th grade class.

Spirit Wear: Amanda Fudge

- Online store is still open.

January Movie: Amy Johnson/Amanda Fudge

- Friday January 19th. Sign up ends Wednesday January 17th at 5pm
- Next month movie (February) Trolls
- Still need movie ideas for both March and April. Please let Amy or Amanda know if you have any suggestions.

January Popcorn: Kathy Phillips/Amanda Fudge/Kaylin Nichols

- Updated Sign Up Genius and will make a Facebook announcement closer to the popcorn day as currently there are no volunteers signed up to help Kathy.

Spring Enrichment: Coordinator Position Open

- Tuesday March 26th- Cupcake Decorating
- Monday April 8th- Try Soccer for a day with The Plex
- Monday April 15th- Ninja Zone w/ More Than Gymnastics
- Tuesday April 16th- Cupcake Decorating
- Monday April 22nd- 3D printing with Mrs. Page grades 3-5
- Tuesday April 23rd- Flower Painting with Mrs. Gordon
- Other ideas mentioned were basketball with Mr. Etter. We would split and do grades K-2 and 3-5. 20 kids per group allowed.

RaiseRight: Mike Fudge/Amanda Fudge

- There were some \$25 gift cards left. We will use them during teacher appreciation week.

Dine and Donate: Katie Fultz/Amanda Fudge

- Panera Dine to Donate brought in \$75.
- Casa Dine to Donate brought in \$432.70.
- Upcoming Dine to Donate is January 24th at the Chipotle on Lima Rd
- A request was sent to Well Grounded Café in Huntertown for a date in February. Still waiting to hear back.

- Other options discussed were Buffalo Wild Wings and B Antonio's. Also talked about reaching out via newsletter to Hickory Center parents that own their own business to see if they would be open to doing a Dine to Donate for the school.
- Talked about possibly doing a Hickory Center Tincaps game in the fall. If it's possible we would plan to sell tickets in May.

Ice Skating: Katie Fultz

- March 3rd 2-3:30pm
- It will be a cash only event.
- \$10 per each child. We will make a \$5 profit on each skater.

Glow Dance: Sarah Beth Shaffer

- Coming together. We are still in need of volunteers.
- We will have pizza and chips available to purchase.
- Each student with preorder ticket will get a cookie and a glow stick.

Komets Night: Roanne Marlow

- Hockey game is Sunday February 4th at 5pm. We have 500 tickets available.
- Discussed using this as a fundraising opportunity if possible. Possibly selling tickets for \$10 each and the money raised would be used to buy new guided reading books for grades 3-5.

Bingo Night: Chaylee Anderson (Amanda Fudge reporting).

- Bingo night is set for Wednesday February 21st from 6-8pm
- Flyers will go out the week after the Glow Dance
- Cost \$15 for 1 parent/1 student and then \$7 for each additional student.
- Maximum of 192 students allowed to participate.
- Keli and Amanda will be putting together prize bags. Still need a couple of volunteers to help set up, walk around & check bingos and help pass out popcorn and beverages. Set up will start around 2:15.

Teacher Reps: Kaylin Nichols/Jenn Fitch

- No report

Next meeting is Tuesday February 6th at 6:30pm

Meeting Adjourned: 7:47 pm (Sarah Beth Shaffer and Katie Fultz)