

Approved 10/05/17 PTO MEETING MINUTES

Approval of 09//17 Meeting Minutes (Lisa Taips):

Minutes approved by Kathy D'Ostroph, Anetta Hendershot seconded

Principal's Report (Mrs. Rassow):

Mrs. Rassow welcomed everyone to the meeting. She also announced:

...enrollment is up again. Two new students started yesterday bringing the total of new students to 35 with the total enrollment up to 334 students. Photos of the new students are on the wall outside of the main office.

...Character Development: Rachel's Challenge kick off assembly was yesterday, 10/4/17. Chris Lowry spoke. They will again be having chain links for acts of kindness. They are hoping to have the end of year celebration with all 4 elementary schools together in one place.

A grant from the OP Foundation for Academic Excellence was received for 50% of the cost of the Rachel's Challenge program for all 4 buildings

...Culture: K-2 have a philharmonic field trip on 10/11/17. Mrs Glasgow (Steever) is preparing the students. The 3-5 grade students will be going later in the year.

... Culture: A Chinese teacher will be at the school starting tomorrow 10/6/17

K-2 will learn about Mandarin culture/language

Grade 3 will work with her during their China study unit

3-5 or 2-5 may have an afterschool program in January

...Character Development: Buddy Bench is here. It will be installed on the playground between the 2 existing benches. The children can go there when they are looking for someone to play with &/or feel left out.

...Mathematical: instructional math leaders Mrs. MacDonald & Mrs. Tryon have been immersed in math professional development to change instruction. They have been working with Math in the City – City College Manhattan. A “National mathematic think tank”

Mrs. MacDonald & Mrs. Tryon:

They are the instructional math coaches for their grade levels – Mrs. Tryon also pushes into the classrooms. Together they explained inquiry based math instruction to the group. They had work shop instruction with a Math in the City instructor last week in school.

Looking for fluency – efficient, flexible. Not just memorizing facts. They want math to be experienced, not just being told. “Can't be taught, must be caught.”

They taught 3 math games & handed out directions: “The Game You Cannot Lose”, a game with a card on your forehead & “Two Dice”. The demonstration was well received by those at the meeting.

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President's Report (Michelle Slotman and Patti Mancabelli):

Michelle & Patti welcomed the group. Patti had to leave. Michelle mentioned the Welcome Back Mixer at the Byrd House following the meeting.

...Committee chairs were reminded to cc Karen in the office for all requests to Mrs Rassow. Her email address is: KDesantis@OPschools.org

...Tops for Education check was received in the amount of \$231.48

It was explained that you can go onto the Tops Markets website to the Tops for Education page. Select South Davis. It is linked to a person's bonus card. When a person shops at Tops, Tops donates a percentage back to the school.

...Last year May meeting Dare officer come to the meeting. There has been talk of a possible discussion on internet safety that would likely be for all schools in the district instead of just South Davis. Please email Michelle Slotman at Michelleslotman160@hotmail.com any issues you would like addressed.

...Homecoming parade was discussed. It was a success & was agreed that there should be yearly participation. A line item for the homecoming parade was added to the budget.

...Basket Auction will be handled by Michelle Slotman, Katie Minear & Kelly Sinatra. Still looking for someone to take over the Holiday House portion.

Treasurer's Report (Anetta Hendershot and Chris Popek):

Anetta present/Chris absent. Treasurer's report for September 2017 & budget were handed out. Report given with a slight correction to the total based on information received before the start of the meeting

Board of Education Report (09/12/17): Tammy Vitko-Woods & Colleen Nielsen:

Colleen Nielsen reported that a capital project update was given – the projects should be all done by December. External audit showed that transportation & utilities under budget. Dr Krueger discussed integrating more nonfiction into the classrooms & regents. Code of Conduct to be updated as some outdated – example pagers are listed.

OLD BUSINESS

Summer Box Tops Drive (Debbie Munson):

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Debbie reported that the summer drive ended & brought in \$320.20 for our school. Mrs Giza's class gets a pizza party. They were the winning classroom by a wide margin.

Monthly Retail Coordinator (Jahna O'Connor):

Jahna advised that the next fundraiser is Monday October 23. We will get 50% of the profits.

We received \$95.00 from Zoup in September. Discussed the fact that the numbers were low were likely caused by a 90-degree day. Panera is 11/16, Saville's 12/6, Buffalo's Best Grille 1/9.

Also discussed with the group additional fundraisers.

Book Fair 09/19/17-09/22/17 (Kelly McCabe):

Kelly Wiktor was not present but a report was read to the group. The sale brought in \$6,139.00. We will receive 25% of the profit – 50% of this to go to Mrs. Carter/library & 50% to the general budget. PTO purchased 3 books for each classroom. A fundraiser was run during the event to get books for a school in Houston TX that was devastated by the hurricane. The purchased books & additional book books donated by Book Outlet & More were mailed – total of 50lbs of books.

Membership (Chris Popek):

Chris was absent. Report was made. Over \$2000 was received to date. The directory is delayed, but hopefully out by the end of October.

Movin' & Groov'in 09/28/17 (Greg Wollen/Marty Munson):

They reported that the event was a success. Weather was good. Donations of cups & fruit were brought in. All volunteers thanked. The amount brought in to date is \$5100. Final total is not in yet – more envelopes have been coming into the office.

Fall Fundraiser (Niki Szalay/Chelsea Haven):

New vendor being used. More selection.

School Spirit Merchandise (Petra Novak):

Petra advised that the orders were sent in to the vendor. All 5th grade signatures were obtained for their shirts. \$300+ was made (no final total received yet), but it was down from last year. One possibility of the decrease is that shirts may not be needed every year – only when they grow out of them.

The website is up & running. The last few South Davis items will be online until they are sold out – limited sizing. OP items will be on there all year.

There was also a brief discussion about classroom t-shirts. A different shirt color for each class for field trips etc. Discussed the cost, how to pay for them & if they are needed.

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DATES TO REMEMBER

- 10/06/17: 15 Minutes Early Dismissal Drill
- 10/09/17: NO SCHOOL – Columbus Day
- 10/10/17: Board of Education Meeting
- 10/18/17: Picture Day
- 10/11/17: K-2 BPO Arts Enrichment Field Trip Day
- 10/18/17: School Picture Day
- 10/20/17: Halloween Bash
- 10/23/17: Chipotle Fundraiser
- 10/27/17: NO SCHOOL – Superintendent’s Conference Day

NEXT MEETING: WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8TH:6:30PM