

December Minutes - 12/5/2016

1. Welcome & Presidents' Report

*Thank you to Daniela for canned food drive.

Alicia - landscaping day. Lots of new faces.

a. State of MPTO - kids have been on picnic area. Sails will be taken down for winter.

Call police if you see cases of vandalism after hours.

- MPTO - buys gift cards for ALL staff members (including bus drivers) before Christmas.

b. Vote to add Jenn Carroll as Book Fair Co-Coordinator - passed.

2. Treasurer Report - approved November budget.

Revenues:

*School Store - \$795 in sales for the month. YTD now total \$2676.

*Corp. Contribution - \$365 for the month. YTD is now \$3956, which is about 60% to the annual goal.

Expenses:

*Classroom expenses - \$715 reimbursed to teachers for the month. Total spent for the year is \$5344 which is now above 50% of the amount budgeted for the 2016-2017 school year.

*Book Nook - \$759 was spent in November. Total spent for the year is \$4451 so far. We had budgeted for a \$6000 spent this year, plus an additional spend of \$5000 in carryover from last school year.

*Beautification - \$156 was spent this month, which is a little more than half of the \$300 that was budgeted for the year.

3. Secretary Report - approved November minutes.

4. First VP/Volunteer Coordinator - will ask for more volunteers at the beginning of the year. May ask teachers for suggestions of parents who are very helpful in their classrooms and reach out to them.

a. Room Parents -

Winter Parties - 12/19 (2nd & 5th grade), 12/20 (PK, 1st & 3rd grade), & 12/21 (K & 4th grade)

*Checks have been sent out to room parents.

b. School Store - still needs volunteers. Has had one mom commit to Tuesdays.

Kids may come any day.

5. Second VP

a. Corp. Contributions - Shutterfly (13% back to us), Amazon (Amazon Smile) & Box tops - new competition.

b. Yearbook - Keep sending pics, especially of class parties. Pix4MES@gmail.com

c. Landscaping - went well. Next one will be in Spring.

d. Community In/Outreach - Coat Drive - Dec. 1-15th. Any and all-size coats. Distributed here first and any left will be sent out in community. Another group (BOA) is collecting and will drop off here. May need to coordinate drop-off.

e. Art by Me - Met with art teachers and switched back to Art by Me. On schedule. Delivery dates before Mother's Day.

6. Third VP

a. Family Nights - Bingo Night - January 27th - same format as last year - 3 sessions, order pizza ahead of time.

January 23rd - Spirit Night at Queen City Q

*Teacher asked PTO for help with digital disconnect with parents. Sign pledge to be technology free for an hour each night to be present with kids. Maybe hang signed pledges outside of gym on Bingo Night, but brainstorming more ideas.

b. Staff Hospitality - Cookie Exchange - 12/15, 2-3 dozen home-baked goods in throw-away containers. Bring in on 12/14 morning/afternoon and morning of 12/15. Flyer goes home tomorrow.

7. **Teachers' Report** - grateful for lunches and cookie exchange.

8. **Principal Report** - reviewed 90 day plan in SLT meeting.

Academic conversation - increase and move toward written response.

Data tracker for students.

Dec. 16 - visit from across the district.

Mrs. Frye is back! - Look at interim assessment data - pull those who are struggling with certain standards to pull those students up. Literacy & Math. Lots of manipulatives.

Next meeting - Monday, January 9th, 2017.