PTO Meeting: Oct. 25, 2021 7:00pm

Principals Report- (given by Mrs.McCalpin)

* Welcome everyone!
* Reminder our Halloween parade is Friday- due to covid it will not be like in years past. It will be in the afternoon… inside the school. We will get as many pictures as we can and will get them to the parents. Class Halloween parties will be in the afternoon in the individual room. Room parents will be in attendance.
* Our advanced learner (GA/ ALPS) program testing will take place- in 2nd grade and again in 5th. The 5th grade testing will be a label for middle school. The testing is 11/15- Monday. It takes 3 days to test. All will be taken online. More information will come out to 2nd and 5th grade families.

Teachers Report: Mrs. Turner

\*\*Question- if a student didn’t qualify in 2nd grade- but they take it again in 5th grade- do they still qualify for middle school\*\* YES

Thank you for organizing the room parent letters. Lightens the load to teachers.

Treasurers Report- Jenny Brandt.

* 2 different funds that we use-General Operating Fund and Special projects.
	+ We are late in the month, so we have October numbers- just are not final yet.
	+ Our membership is the main source of income so far.
	+ $950 donations so far for PTO- reflects overall economy right now. It is down from years past- but student enrollment is also down.
	+ $828 for spirit year- from back to school/ sneak a peek. Spirit wear due in next week.
	+ Allowance for each teacher for $100 for full time teachers and $50 for part time teachers. Receipts are still coming in for reimbursements.
	+ Capital request/ special projects- expenses for string bags/ lanyards came out of this fund in September.
	+ October spending- PTO is paying for bulletin boards for the school to use…. Some things in the works- playground equipment, water station, etc. (will come out of Special projects fund in the next month)
	+ Red Hot and Blue spirit night- made about $600. Another one is coming this week at Broadneck grill on Wednesday, 10/27.
	+ Candy Grams made $650-$700 (Halloween boo grams)
	+ If any parent would like to look through books- audit is needed yearly. No experience is needed. Please reach out if you are interested. We need 3 parents- send Jenny an email. It needs to be done sooner rather than later. Thank you all!!

PTO President- Charlotte Byrd.

* Please register for PTO- Windsor Farm PTO- find out how to volunteer.
* Amazon link is also there- to shop and money goes back to the school.
* You can download the box top app- scan the receipt into the app- another way for school to get money.
* We are looking at getting a Water filling station- could be up to 6 months before arriving- very exciting. PTO is in the process now of getting some quotes.
* We are going to be doing some mulching out front- getting estimates.
* Looking at installing a basketball hoop in the lower playground- PTO will be paying for that.
* 11/5- Girl scout troop will be planting bulbs out front- to earn badges.
* Going to be another spirit night on Wednesday, 5-10pm dine in/ carry out- will be Broadneck Grill. Want to thank Carrie Emery for her work in organizing.
* Also, a thank you to Sarah Knowlten (parent volunteer) who puts together our website.

Update on Planned events- PTO meetings generally 4th Monday of the month.

* Spirit nights are still happening- like this Wednesday!
* Boo grams- lots of parent volunteers- thank you all!
* Book fair is happening- 11/29-12/3- still in person for the kids. Will have sign-ups for volunteer slots. Please volunteer if you can. Will be virtual for families. Will have pre- book sales for the new Diary of Wimpy kid books coming out.

\*\*\*Next PTO meeting 12/6- merging November and December dates, at 7pm. \*\*\*

Make a motion to adjourn.

Attendees- Teri McCalpin, Charlotte Byrd, Jenny Brandt, Abbie Finamore, Jenna Miller, Allison Turner, Jessica V, Shelley Belvedere, Jaime Superczynski, Cindy, Zainab, Mattie Scott, Jason Hyman, Benjamin Wilson