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Peeples Elementary PTO Meeting  
Thursday, August 23, 2018

Present: Noel Harvey, Audrey Gumm, Abbie Klinker, Lauren Scheu, Alex O'Dell, Jenifer Demchak, Sheila Schneider, Adriana Marshburn, Stephanie Johnson, Ashleigh Haycock, Wanda Godwin- bookkeeper, Mandy Johnson, Ginger Johnston, Suzanna Delaney, Sara Lax, Buffy Blodgett- Principal, Carly Kalbrunner, Erica Robinson, Kathryn Kasych, Erin Fish, Julianne Moore, Belise Burns, Monica Thomas- teacher representative, Roni Yonka, Kelly McQuade, Heather Burrows, Jenni Hammond, Lorena Gomez, Georgina Hassan, Gina Benoit, Scott Benoit, Meghan Simmons, Sarah Harmond, Rhonda Mangin, Amanda Moberly

Rhonda called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m. Rhonda opened the meeting by covering Robert's Rule of Order and discussed having quorum to vote on items etc. Rhonda also encouraged everyone to mingle and meet new people. She also gave a quick introduction of board, Buffy Blodgett-principal, Wanda Godwin- Book keeper, and teacher rep Monica Thomas.

Julianne Moore made a motion to approve April 2018 minutes. Jennifer Demchak seconded. All present were in favor.

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT-**

Rhonda thanked everyone for getting building back together for MTT and K Mini Day and first day of school. PTO's goal this year is for consistent communication- our newsletter will be pushed out on Monday's. There was a PTO Committee outline available by the sign in sheet. She mentioned how PTO helps with Buffy's "Wishlist" for things around the school. This year's wish list is our playground. Things need to be fixed and/ or replaced and added. Sign up sheets for committees are available on the other side of the Launch Pad if you missed it at MTT or K Mini Day. Also, check FCBOE website for meeting announcements and also podcasts.

**VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT-**

No report.

**TREASURER'S REPORT-**

Meghan updated us on balance of checking account (\$67, 542.54) and the savings account (\$16, 481.57). Direct Drive is going great. Peeples has received \$870 from Publix and Kroger rebate programs. Please update Kroger cards to reflect Peeples. Publix is switching from school cards to entering phone number at check out. Our internal audit has been finished and will be given to our accountant. Meghan also discussed where all the funds that PTO brings in are dispersed to.

**CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT-**

Lauren keeps up with Facebook group and website. If you are in the FB group you may post about your committee needs. No need to go through Lauren. Our website is constantly changing- please check often and let Lauren know if you see anything that needs correcting. Lauren is also working on a tutorial to link PTO/School calendar to your calendar on phone.

**RECORDING SECRETARY'S REPORT-**

Sarah reminded everyone to please sign in and view committee sign-up sheets if you are interested.

**\*Committee Reports\***

ART- Sheila Schneider had no report. Mrs. Blodgett explained that Artsonia is replacing Square 1 this year. Artsonia will be pushing emails to parents every 2 weeks to get permission granted for students to upload artwork. Enrichment parents may not get an email due to a child already being in the system. Teri McGraw is helping Jill Daniel get this

started. PTO will get a percentage of purchases from Artsonia. It is not limited to one specific piece of artwork. It's a year round fundraiser.

BOX TOPS- Ashleigh Haycock thanked parents for submitting box tops. Box tops are due the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month. In May we collected \$317. Please collect them and send them in. We make a good amount of money from this program. Mrs. Thomas will help Ashleigh remind teachers to send them in.

DIRECT DRIVE- Jennifer Demchak explained Direct Drive for new parents. We are super close to our goal of \$11,000. There will be a table set up at Curriculum Night tonight. 55 of the donations are families with 2 or more children here at Peoples. There will be 2 Chick Fil A gift cards given away on September 5<sup>th</sup> from the names of those that have donated.

MEDIA CENTER- Ginger Johnston reported that things are great and we have more volunteers than needed...what a great problem to have! There is a need for help on September 13 during K-2 Curriculum Night to help run bookfair.

PUMPKIN FUN RUN- Donna was not present. Rhonda gave report that they are actively pursuing sponsorships. Rotary club had to work with PTC Running Club to schedule races. Our date is now October 5<sup>th</sup> for the Pumpkin Fun Run. Contact at Panasonic is on maternity leave so we need a new contact.

ROOM PARENTS- Julianne reported that the first meeting will be next Thursday, August 30<sup>th</sup> at 9:30. Biggest change this year is that there will be 2 meetings instead of 1. Next meeting will be in January to set clear expectations about Spring Fling.

PE- Roni announced that running club starts on Monday. There is a need for more help on the track. Parents will use a scanner to scan student's lanyards. Very simple and only 20ish minutes.

SPIRIT NIGHTS- Lauren shared that our first spirit night was last night. 1<sup>st</sup> grade showed up big time! Will find out amount of \$ at 11 today when she picks up the check. Pita and Starlite are coming up in September. Partners, Zaxby's, and Starlite are new this year. The biggest change this year is that each spirit night at CFA will include K-5. It is no longer split up by grades and will start in October.

SPIRIT WEAR- Adriana reported that first order should be in next week. The October order will have more long sleeve and dry fit options. Golf Cart blanket is being discontinued.

SPONSORSHIPS- Amanda explained Annual Sponsorship sheet in communication folders. Magnets will be going home next week. We will start earlier for '19-'20 school year. Please thank sponsors when you use their businesses. We are building a corporate sponsorship package to approach bigger corporations, especially here in PTC.

#### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT-

Demographic updates:

- 727 students, up approximately 20 students from this time last year
- 16 new staff members (teachers, paras, social workers, instructional coach, speech, custodians, world language, school nutrition)
- Kindergarten- 5 teachers, 106 students
- 1<sup>st</sup>- 5 teachers, 107 students
- 2<sup>nd</sup>- 5 teachers, 113 students
- 3<sup>rd</sup>- 6 teachers, 119 students
- 4<sup>th</sup>- 5 teachers, 129 students
- 5<sup>th</sup>- 6 teachers, 153 students

In process of renewing our Digital Citizenship certification. We are piloting a World Language program that is added to our specials rotation. Students are now on a 6 day specials rotation. Kindergarten and 1<sup>st</sup> grade are going to receive new

Standards based report card this year. Please visit FCBOE.org for more information and a sample report card. Next year 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> grade will receive Standards based report card. Renovation punch list has been started and will be worked on throughout the year. Items coming soon: New blinds, new counter tops in office area, new tack strips in hallway (being installed at this very moment) and new filing cabinets in classrooms.

There have been 409 visits to the school clinic since August 6.

Please see website for calendar updates. There is information being added all the time.

This year we will be hosting 1 big "Feast" instead of 3. This will take place at the end of November. Doing so will help reduce food waste.

MRS. THOMAS' REPORT- Mrs. Thomas thanked PTO, on behalf of staff, for SCRIP giftcards. Thanks for the snacks at staff meetings. One suggestion: Can we get a kickball diamond in the oval on the playground? Also, leadership team that she is a part of will help with Rocket Blast Off.

OLD BUSINESS- Our new playground equipment hasn't arrived yet. Kids got to vote on piece on Google drive. They loved being part of the process.

A new bench for Nurse Powers has been ordered and placed in her office.

OPEN FLOOR- Mrs. Blodgett gave a Leader In Me update, an update on our participation in the World Language pilot program, a report on security updates with renovation.

Sara Lax made a motion to adjourn. Amanda Moberly seconded. All were in favor. 11:06 a.m.