



Meeting Minutes

Linn Grove PTO

Meeting Date & Time: Tuesday, December 6th, 2016

Meeting Place: Linn Grove Media Center

Mission Statement:

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Meeting Called to Order by Kara Larson

Attendance: 11

(Officers in attendance: Kara Larson, President; Kelly Ackley, Vice-President; Angela Lincoln, Recording Secretary; Angie Lawrence, Correspondence Secretary; and Kelly Anderson, Co-Treasurer)

Minutes: Minutes from November 2016 meeting were accepted

1. Building Update:

Chad Buchholz:

- Snow in December has been the highlight here, it's been going well.
- Several staff members are "expecting" in the April/May months.
- Mrs. Perry is retiring at the end of December.

2. Teacher's Requests:

There are no requests this month.

3. Officers Report:

Presented by Kara Larson

4. Current Business:

PTO Bylaws: Changes were passed around for review and then a vote was taken. Changes were approved.

Merchant Card Fundraiser Recap: 925 cards sold, one still unclaimed envelope. 1157 cards/117 packets still out. Letters will be sent home this week about cards still out. 196 kids sold cards, 110 kids sold 3 or more. We get \$12/card so we made \$11,000+ before prizes. Money will be used for functional furniture and library-bound books. We also received \$50 one time donation and \$32.50 in other donations.

November Events Recap: Good turnout for Movie Night. We will get \$53-\$55 from Maidrite Night. Play Station Night it was hard to tell the turnout because so many parties were going on, hopefully we met minimum otherwise we get \$0. We gave out 7 free passes in return for Hy-Vee receipts.

Kids Holiday Bazaar: We will use the cafeteria and gym, currently 24 vendors signed up. We will have a wrapping station, card making station, choir. We still need lots of help.

Box Tops: 1,311 turned in for November. 2nd grade won popcorn party this Friday. December/January collection sheet and class with most decides what color Kara's hair will be and each student gets a free pass to The Play Station. Should be getting a check in December or January.



Hy-Vee Receipts: No update this month.

5. New Business

Chairs still needed: Cuddle Up & Read. Spring Conference Dinners. ITBS Snacks, Kelly Ackley volunteered. Family Fun Night in April. Staff Appreciation in May, Kelly Ackley & Kelly Anderson volunteered. Break with Buddies in May, Lindsey Scheibe volunteered.

Fitness Station Committee: Kara would like to start a committee that will keep track of donations, send out letters, contact for Shelly Woods. Kelly Anderson, Angie Lawrence and others volunteered

Family Fun Night: Kara wants to do a meeting this month if possible, need to do some things before the end of the year. Adventureland donation needs requested in December.

6. Open Discussion

Angela French inquired about furniture for library and mentioned a connection she has to a store that sells more Business type furniture and we might be able to get a discount. She suggested we look into them when shopping for new library furniture.

7. Meeting Adjourned At: 6:57 PM

Upcoming Events

Kids Holiday Bazaar – 12/10, 9:00am – 12:00pm

Linn Grove La Cantina Day – 12/13, 11:00am – 10:00pm

Don't forget to turn in Box Tops & Hy-Vee receipts!

Next PTO meeting is January 3rd!

Record volunteer hours at <http://volunteers.linnmar.k12.ia.us/login.asp>

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