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Meeting Minutes

Linn Grove PTO

Meeting Date & Time: Tuesday, February 6, 2021 at 6:00 pm

Meeting Place: Zoom

Meeting Called to Order by Krystal Betts

Attendance: 6

1. Welcome and Introductions

2. Teacher's Requests:

Jenny Moore: Still waiting on paperwork and ordering for the Ukulele Strings, Auto Tuner. Working with West Music still to get a quote for the sound system.

Mary Printy: Suggested installing speakers in the ceiling of each classroom that they can connect to via their computer to help with classroom amplification. She is getting more information on this and will represent.

Karissa Brincks: Suggested soccer nets for the playground. Working with Mr. Roos and Mrs. Manley for more information as far as usage at recess and if these would be available to use to outside groups utilizing the playground/field. As looking into costs and specifically where they would be located. Also reaching out to other schools to see where they got theirs and how durable they were.

3. Officers Report:

Treasurer's Report: January report presented by Angela and will be posted online for review.

Minute Review: January minutes will be posted online for review.

4. Current Business

Conference Lunches: Salem Daoud, owner of Fresh Deli & Grill, (Linn Grove family) has graciously offered to provide the March conference meals. A follow up email will be sent this week for options for teachers and a sign up will be sent to teachers. Looking into if it can be delivered or we will have to arrange for pickup.

Fundraising Opportunities: A flyer and pre-order form will be going home with each student the week of February 22nd. To help streamline the process only cash and checks will be accepted, no PayPal for this event. All preorders will be due March 5th. The cards will be sent home after spring break. For every student that sells 5 cards they will receive a limited edition Linn Mar Shirt. The top seller for each grade will win a family 4 pack to Victory Ninja Gym opening March 2021. End the event of a tie, there will be a random drawing to select the winner. Teachers or staff can sell 5 cards are also eligible to get a free t-shirt.



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Family Fun Night Donations: The online auction is live and will end February 5th. As of 5:00 PM of tonight's meeting the auction was at \$1779.

Teacher Vouchers: Reminders were sent to teachers to use their vouchers or they were given the option to gift it to another teacher. So far, 1 teacher has taken advantage of this opportunity.

Box Tops: Don't forget to use the app to scan your receipt. Any unexpired physical box tops can still be turned into the office. The income from Box Tops will be removed from the 2021-2022 budget with the discontinuation of the physical box tops.

Hy-Vee Receipts: January total was \$19,413.05, bringing the year total to \$44,388.35. We are currently behind from this time last year by \$44,388.35. Keep sending those receipts in to the office! You can also submit your e-receipts to linngrovehyvee@gmail.com The February contest has started, the classroom with the most nonexpired receipts turned in will win an ice cream party. Make sure to label the bag your receipts with the student name and classroom. Individual receipts do not need to be marked.

5. New Business

Virtual Canvas & Cookies: This event will be scheduled in April. Looking into options for recording it for students that are not able to make the actual night.

Spring Spirit Wear Sale: Will be coming the week of April 5th. Will feature more summer type clothes with a mix of cotton/performance shirts/masks. More information will be coming after spring break.

Staff Appreciation Week: Week of May 3rd. Snacks will be provided in the conference room all week for staff to grab and go. Suggestions have been gathered from teachers. Looking into getting \$5 or \$10 gift cards donated by families to use as gifts to staff throughout the week.

Fourth Grade Send Off: Shirts would be \$5.50 for a 2 color design on white with the Cutting Edge Logo like last year. They are not putting student names on the back by class which has been done in the past so virtual students can be included and then the lists don't change based on any changes of students between in-person and virtual.

6. Open Discussion

7. Meeting Adjourned At: 6:27 PM



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8. Upcoming Events

La Cantina: First Tuesday of every month. Grab take out and then join the zoom PTO meeting! No flyer needed, just mention Linn Grove. Can't make dinner? No problem! This event is all day so grab some lunch, or better yet do both!

Chick-fil-A: Tuesday, February 23 – 5-7 PM drive through only.

Pizza Ranch: Monday, March $22^{nd} - 5-7$ PM. Linn Grove will receive 15% of total sales as well as 100% of a tip jar. Check out the Facebook event Pizza Ranch has already created!

McTeacher Night: April 20th – 6^{th} Avenue location. Come see Linn Grove Staff and grab dinner!

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

Next PTO meeting is March 3, 2021!

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