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Meeting Minutes

Linn Grove PTO

Meeting Date & Time: Tuesday, May 2nd at 6:00pm Meeting Place: Linn Grove Media Center

Meeting Called to Order by Kara Larson Attendance: 11 (Officers in attendance: Kara Larson, President; Kelly Ackley, Vice President; Angela Lincoln, Recording Secretary; Sheri McCormick, Co-Treasurer)

Minutes: Minutes from April 2017 meeting were accepted

1. Building Update:

Chad Buchholz: Teacher Appreciation Week is much appreciated, thank you! Third graders will be attending Aquatic Center the last full week of school, second and fourth graders had a week, fifth graders get 2^{1/2} hours. Thursday is Track Day at the Stadium for fifth graders. Friday the first graders go to Linn County Fairgrounds for Ag Day. Kindergartners go to Culvers Garden Center in a couple weeks. Fifth grade send off to Camp Tanager. We are pushing to get outside experiences for our kids that give them an opportunity to represent themselves and their school, venture beyond our walls with a school group. End of year fun coming up is Game Day, Dunk Tank, etc. coming up the last week of school. Meet and Greet will be Monday, August 21st 4pm-6pm. School starts August 23rd. Kindergarten Camp is Friday, June 2nd and will have two sessions: 8-9:45am at the school and 10:15am-12pm at the Squaw Creek Village Community Center to boost attendance. PTO can attend both. Staff announcement: Mrs. Printy is moving to Kindergarten, Ms. Perez has been extended an offer for 2nd grade teacher, 3rd grade opening because Mrs. Kronk is going to teach 7th grade at Excelsior. We have lots of long-term subs here right now so continue to support because it's challenging for our students.

2. Current Business:

April Events Recap: Family Fun Night (FFN): fed over 423 people, expense total \$3185.28, food \$1015, \$1929.60 out of \$2000 budget spent. Debbie \$264.88. Income total \$3156.10 - Jail \$29. Kohl's \$1000, Kona Ice \$204, Meals/Wristbands \$1923.10. Raffle baskets \$3596.50. Total income \$6752.60, Net = \$3567.32. Feedback received was there is not enough time to do everything at FFN! La Cantina has not been received.

Staff Appreciation Week: It's going well so far! Thanks you's are a huge hit! *Fitness Station Committee Update:* As of last night, over half way to our goal amount. Our deadline was end of April so we didn't meet that. Grant options don't open mostly until November-February. Approximately \$3700 in PTO Manager now. Deadline for donations is June 1st.

LG PTO 2017-2018 Budget: Kara reviewed the changes. Changes were voted in.



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C. Enhancing the educational facilities and opportunities for the students of Linn Grove Elementary. *Set 2017-2018 Calendar:* Kara reviewed calendar. Chad needs to double-check before we set it in stone. Calendar was voted in.

Box Tops: April contest was boys versus girls and girls won. We received 674 box tops, also additional 391 from staff. YTD total is a little over 25,000! *Hy-Vee Receipts:* Now is the beginning of the 2017-2018 program so please continue to save receipts over the summer!

3. <u>New Business/Volunteer Requests:</u>

Breakfast with Buddies: Lindsey Scheibe provided update. Hy-Vee was amazing in donating all donuts, milk, juice. Volunteer help is going well, Friday set up and clean up help needed, set up starts around 7:35am.

End of Year Box Tops Celebration: All Box Tops are due Wednesday. May 24th. Friday, May 26th we'll have dunk tank. We have different levels of goals that involve three staff members and one surprise guest in the dunk tank. We'll have bubbles too.

4. Teacher's Requests:

There are no requests this month.

5. Officers' Report:

Treasurer's Report presented by Sheri McCormick. June 30th is the last day to have expenses in.

6. **Open Discussion**

We have approximately \$23,000 in account, what would we like to carry over? We discussed and voted in the following: \$3,000 to the library, up to \$5,000 to fitness stations (preferred location on outer edge of track), remaining \$2,167.59 in Teacher Requests can be used by Chad to purchase playground equipment.

7. Meeting Adjourned At: 7:37pm.

8. <u>Upcoming Events</u>

Breakfast with Buddies, 5/4 & 5/5, 8:00am-8:30am LG Culver's Night – 5/16, 4:00pm to Close, 10% back ALL sales Skate Night at Super Skate – 6/6, 6:00pm-8:00pm

Don't forget to turn in Box Tops & Hy-Vee receipts! Next PTO meeting is Sept 5th! Record volunteer hours at <u>http://volunteers.linnmar.k12.ia.us/login.asp</u>