**SMPTO Meeting Minutes**

**3/21/23 Zoom and IFES Library**

1) Call to order/welcome:

The meeting was started at 7:09pm. In attendance were: Bridgette Wickard (President), Brooke Wagner (Rice Co-VP), Kelsi Forester (IFES Co-VP), Sarah Faller-Bowermaster (Co-Treasurer), Victoria Christen (Co-Treasurer), David Boley (Principal, Rice), Trisha Reed (Principal, IFES) and Katie Kalata (Secretary). Four parents and one teacher were also present.

2) Minutes: The minutes were reviewed and approved with a motion by Brooke, seconded by Kelsi.

3) Principals Report

IFES: Art night is coming up on March 28th. There are over 200 families planning to attend. The school will be getting a therapy dog.

Rice: Kindergarten registration is occurring next week. Spring pictures are coming up. There will be school on April 6th but no school on April 7th and 10th.

4) Budget

Some items/lines needed to be shifted due to unexpected costs (Candy Grams), but overall the budget is healthy. The biggest recent expense was the Rice Book Fair. There was not an line for the Stock the Teachers lounge so those expenses went into the Back to School line.

5) Correspondence: The Bubbler Foundation asked for a donation of Spirit Gear for their mini golf tournament fundraiser.

6) Chair/Committee Reports/Updates

IFES Luau: The event will be on March 31 from 6-8pm. There was a need for boxes. A parent mentioned she has boxes and will coordinate so the committee can get the boxes. There will be a photobooth and DJ. Volunteer signups and donations look good. Permission slips are due on Friday.

Spring Fling: The food trucks include Williams, 717 Tacos, the Farm Show Milkshakes, and the coffee truck. All have agreed to donate back. 3 Monkeys is booked. We are still working on the calendar raffle. There will be a teacher raffle usually organized by Melissa Vincent. There was discussion about asking the cheerleaders about facepainting. The time to sign up will be ready soon. There was a question about weather but the event is rain or shine. There are just some final details that need to be worked out overall and a strong need for volunteers.

IFES Book Fair: The event went great. Each teacher received 2 books. The ewallet worked great. There were about $13,000 in sales. The funds will be used for a scholastic reorder or to use for more books.

8) New Business

Grant: The grant to provide refreshments at the IFES Art Show was approved.

Elections: We are in need of a Co-VP at IFES, Secretary, and Co-Treasurer. Janelle, a parent of two, is interested in the Co-VP position.

Ag Van: The van will be at Rice April 24-27th and at IFES in May. We will need a few volunteers to staff the van.

Rice Assembly: There will be 2 assemblies on April 4th by the Literacy Magician. The assemblies will be part of the Read Across America Competition.

Field Trips: The field trips are set. Third grade didn’t need to use their funds for their trip so asked for the funds to be used for a fun field day. They did also request Kona Ice.

Bubbling Over: 2nd graders will go bowling. They will receive t-shirts. We are working to also provide the students with an ice cream treat after returning from bowling.

Forge Ahead: The students have several ideas. The will go swimming and also requested Kona Ice. If the truck is only available for one event then the 5th graders will get Kona.

Teacher Appreciation Week: The teachers like food. Some enjoy homemade but any type is appreciated. There will be something each day. More will be discussed at the next meeting.

Audit: We need to do an audit. In the past, Mrs. Reed’s father has done the audit. She will ask him. Usually the PTO provides him with a $50 gift card.

9) Old Business

None

10) Open Floor

We need to change the date of the April meeting. The meeting will now be on April 12th. The donations deadline for the calendar will be on April 1st.

The meeting ended at 7:50pm with a motion made by Tori, seconded by Sarah.

The next meeting will be on April 11th.