

Peeples Elementary PTO Monthly Meeting

Tuesday, February 15, 2018

In Attendance: Ashley Lynch (President), Rhonda Mangin (Vice President), Natalie Kaiser (Treasurer), Meghan Simmons (Corresponding Secretary), Julianne Moore (Recording Secretary), Wanda Godwin (School Secretary), Monica Thomas (Teacher Representative), Buffy Blodgett (Principal), Amanda Moberly, Sheila Schneider, Heather Burrows, Ashleigh Haycock

Call to Order: PTO Meeting was called to order at 9:35AM by Ashley Lynch. Quorum was present.

Approval of Minutes: A motion to approve the January minutes was made by Rhonda Mangin, 2nd motion by Wanda Godwin. All were in favor.

Officers Reports:

Treasurer (Natalie Kaiser)-

The latest funds received include:

\$96.42 from Shutterfly storefront

\$34.00 Mellow Mushroom, \$42 Green Ginger, \$62 Pita (Spirit Nights)

\$250 Natures Turf, \$250 family sponsors (Spring Fling sponsors)

Expenses include:

\$7,225 for Fun Fling for carnival games/inflatables for Spring Fling

\$14,000 for last check for Peeples Elementary

Vice President (Rhonda Mangin)- Parent surveys will go out soon to ask how the PTO can better serve the parents & teachers. A nominating committee will be forming soon to help recruit 2018-2019 board members. Recording Secretary and Corresponding Secretary are the two position that currently have no candidates.

Recording Secretary (Julianne Moore) – No report.

Corresponding Secretary (Meghan Simmons) – Meghan continues to updated the Peeples PTO website. Users can subscribe to the website to receive PTO events that can be synced with users' calendars. Events will include spirit nights, PTO meetings, Cultural Arts week, Spring Fling, etc.

President (Ashley Lynch) – Sarah Harmond was unable to attend but asked that anyone interested in assisting with Cultural Arts Week to attend a volunteer meeting Feb 27th at 8AM at Peeples.

Committee Reports:

Spring Fling (Natalie Kaiser)- we currently have 13 items donated for silent auction. Natalie, Rhonda and Julianne attended a recent staff meeting to encourage teachers and staff to donate "experiences" with students. We currently have pizza lunch with 2nd grade teachers, sign language lessons, principal for the day. Natalie asked if it was possible to get 5th grade graduation reserved seats as an experience & Julianne asked if it was possible to get early

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“meet the teacher” for a family in fall 2018. Heidi and Julianne are making face to face visits with potential sponsors as we all continue to work to get more sponsors on board for this year’s event.

Hospitality (Heather Burrows)- Upcoming events the committee will be working on include lunch for counselors, staff meeting in March, administrator’s day in April, teacher appreciation in May.

Box Tops (Ashley Haycock)- Mrs. Thompson’s class is currently in the lead for the hot chocolate party. The deadline is the end of the week!

Kindness Week (Amanda Moberly)- Amanda shared some of the feedback she received about Kindness Week. The negative feedback included that some of the visiting 7th graders weren’t prepared for the kindness catcher. The Kindness ambassador/medal was a huge hit! Feedback was received through teachers, parents and students. Next year they intend to include students on the kindness committee. Students asked if the assembly could be student lead with a comedy or concert. They asked for more involvement with local charities, no tshirts but instead to do kind acts. Students asked for ways to mentor other grades (aka Buddy system). The theme suggested for 2019 was “Soar High to be Kind”. Other ideas include morning announcements (aka Rocket Fuel) to include shout outs for kindness acts year round.

Ice Cream Sales & Spirit Night (Lauren Scheu)– Mellow Mushroom spirit night is all day today. Pita has asked that their next spirit night be held March 20 (instead of March 13).

Art Room (Natalie Kaiser) – Marc 15th from 4-6pm Peeples will host their annual Art Show. Saville Studios has signed contract and will be do flyers to be distributed to students. Next year the school will be using Artsonia instead of Square Art. This allows students to capture art work all year & for family to order at any time.

Shelia Schneider has agreed to be the Art Room volunteer for 2018-2019.

Principal Report:

Thank yous

- Amanda Moberly and Kindness committee for wonderful Kindness Week
- Parent volunteers who helped with Valentines lunch
- 2nd grade parents who helped support Little Dribblers
- Hospitality committee for support all the appreciation days (most recently counselor appreciation day) and for treats for the staff meeting
- Parents who supported the American Heart Association JRFH and HFH. We raised \$15,212 as of today!
- PTO for 2nd gift card donation
- PTO members and parents for staying on top of posting on the Peeples FB group. Lots of positive comments are being shared!
- Natalie, Rhonda and Julianne for coming to staff meeting to talk about changes for this year’s Spring Fling.

School/Staff Updates

- Chromebook rollout has been awesome!
- GA milestones – all grade levels will be on computer this year, testing has been postponed 3 days due to snow days
- Allotment/staffing updates are currently at...Kindergarten/1st/2nd/4th will have 5 classes & 3rd/5th will have 6 classes. Retiring this year is Mrs. Creighton/Mrs. Jones
- This year Peeples will implement a student interview team to help with interview process

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Upcoming/Current Events

- Kindergarten registration is open
- 2/19-2/23 Winter Break
- 2/26 – Mike and Cs spirit night
- 3/5- Green Ginger spirit night
- 3/6 – chick-fil-a night 5-7PM (K-2nd)
- 3/10 Science Olympiad 8-2PM at SMHS
- 3/20 spring picture day
- Week of March 12- spring book fair
- 3/15 Fine Arts Night 4-6pm
- 3/16 Sky Zone spirit night 4-9pm
- 3/16 end of 3rd 9 weeks
- 3/20 Pita spirit night
- 3/22 school council 7am
- 3/22 report cards issued
- 3/23 monkey joe's spirit night 4-9pm

Needs

Boxes for staff to start packing up personal belongings for this summer's renovation (no liquor boxes allowed)

Adjourn: Wanda Godwin made a motion to adjourn at 11:29AM. 2nd motion by Buffy Blodgett. All in favor.