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Peeples Elementary School
General PTO meeting
September 27th, 2018

In attendance: Rhonda Mangin, Amanda Moberly, Audrey Gumm, Laurent Scheu, Roni Yonka, Buffy Blodgett- principal, Ginger Johnston, Sarah Harmond, Monica Thomas-teacher representative, Angie Gregory, Mandy Johnson, Adriana Marshburn, Donna New, Erin Fish, Meghan Simmons

Meeting was called to order by Rhonda at 9:36 a.m.

Buffy Blodgett made the motion to approve the August 2018 minutes. Angie Gregory second. All in favor.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT-

Rhonda stated we have a 50% open rate of the newsletter that is going out weekly. The Rocket Blast Off went well, she has received good feedback from parents. We had a few hundred people show up and the kids had fun, especially in the rain. The Pantherettes did a great job engaging attendees. Rhonda also shared about FCBOE podcast and encouraged us to check it out as it is full of lots of good information.

There is a Community for Creativity Team at Rising Starr that is mentoring students at Peeples. The golf cart tunnel under Redwine will hopefully be done over the summer. Crews are still studying to see where the best location will be. Panther Path will have to be closed for construction and cannot be done so while students are in school.

All of our finances and taxes are in good standing.

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT-

No report.

TREASURER'S REPORT-

Meghan stated that our checking account balance is at \$57,557.24. Our savings account balance is at \$16,484.38. Those numbers will change due to Fun Run payments and Spirit Wear order being placed soon. Our taxes have to be filed before October 31st and will be done so before then.

RECORDING SECRETARY-

Sarah asked that everyone sign in.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY-

Lauren asked if any committee chairs have any sign ups to please send them to her and she will get them linked on the website. Sheets of staff preferences (likes, dislikes, etc) for each member of our staff will be added to the website next week. It will be a pdf in alphabetical order. This is to help make purchasing gifts easier for those that would like to do so during holidays, birthdays, and or staff appreciation.

LEADER IN ME UPDATE- CINDY WEBB

The LIM Greeting Team is brand new. Student on the team escorted PTO attendees to Launch Pad for meeting. Students received positive feedback from parents that were escorted. This year we are focusing on the 5 paradigms of learning.

1. Everyone can be a leader
2. Change starts with me.
3. Everyone has genius.
4. Empower students to lead their own learning
5. Develop the whole child.

All classrooms have completed their mission statements. Leadership notebooks will be done schoolwide this year. Reading goals are a big focus this year. Each child will meet their individualized reading goal by May 2019. Leadership Teams are kicking off and the students are really taking ownership and taking it very seriously. This year, Club Day will be called Synergy Squads. Students pick top 3 passions and will be matched to one. The first SS will take place on October 5th. Each squad will figure out how to Pay It Forward and give back to the community. Parents let Mrs. Webb know that knowing the verbage has helped at home and students are using what they are learning at school outside of the school as well.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

ART- Angie Gregory gave report for Sheila. She explained Artsonia and the need for parents to help upload art to the website so that we can start ordering to get items before Christmas. Rhonda asked to start a signup genius to get parents to come in to help upload art and train other parents to help as well. Parents discussed different options to make this program more efficient for Mrs. Daniel and students. Will work on solutions. 3rd through 5th grades already know how to upload. Students in k-2 need more help.

DIRECT DRIVE- Meghan gave update for Jennifer Demchak. Direct Drive has surpassed our \$11k goal this year! We are at \$12,176. Thank you to everyone that has donated!

HOSPITALITY- Rhonda gave update for Heather Burrows. There are some upcoming events that Heather will send out a sign up genius for volunteers.

KINDNESS WEEK- Amanda Moberly stated the committee will be following from the Great Kindness Challenge booklet. Students will lead the kickoff assembly on Monday. There will be spirit days for students to dress up each day, if they choose to. Students from Rising Starr will come over to work on an activity with students. Not decided yet. Next committee meeting will be October 17th at 9 a.m.

PE - Roni Yonka let us know that 1st grade will be starting running club next week so we need parents on the track to scan students as they complete laps.

ROOM PARENTS- Rhonda gave report for Julianne Moore. She asked parents to please turn in volunteer questionnaire as soon as possible. Also, room moms please turn in teacher preference forms to the office as soon as possible.

SCRIP- Meghan gave quick overview and explained the program. An info sheet will be going home soon with a description and a shortened order form. There is an app to manage cards and purchase or reload cards. Also, there is a speedy SCRIP box in the office with instantly

available cards for purchase. We will do a Christmas form again this year, but will give teachers a prepaid Visa card to redeem at their discretion.

SPIRIT NIGHT- Lauren let everyone know about Starlite Spirit Night tomorrow night. The class with the most participation will get a pajama party day at school.

SPIRIT WEAR- Wednesday October 10th is the deadline for second order of spirit wear. 2 of the short sleeved shirts are available as long sleeve options.

SPRING FLING- Baskets will be put together by grade levels. One basket per grade with the exception of 3rd and 5th. They will do 2 baskets. Silent auction will only be at event with big ticket items- no online auction this year. Only a small amount of sponsorships left to get due to annual sponsorships.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT-

Thank you to James Campbell Landscaping for sprucing up the courtyard. She has noticed teachers and students using the courtyard a lot more.

Goal to regain Digital Citizenship certification again.

Mrs. Blodgett can see what students are searching for. She encouraged parents to please be aware of what your students are searching and doing online.

A kindergarten teacher resigned over Labor Day holiday. In process of hiring a new teacher to replace her.

Clinic is a busy place! 1st, 3rd, and 5th Hearing and Vision Screening is today. County has purchased high tech equipment to test students with accurate results. 1,445 students have been seen in the clinic to date. Strep and stomach virus are going around. Please help us keep flu away by encouraging the flu vaccine and healthy hand washing habits.

"Eaton Lighting is partnering with Peeples to purchase book for every second grader. They will be here to give them out on October 11th.

We have a new Student Lighthouse Team. There are 13 students from 2nd through 5th grades that will work closely with Mrs. Blodgett, Mrs. Webb, and Mrs. Fields. This will help students take ownership of the school. K & 1st will have 20 students on a project based Lighthouse team.

Staff members are signing up to help with Pumpkin Fun Run.

October 22nd AdvancED accreditation. We find out next week if we have been selected.

Our SIP goals are increasing reading and writing scores, reading goals, and discipline with PBIS.

MRS. THOMAS- Students love the new playground! She has heard lots of good feedback from parents about how much fun Rocket Blast Off was. It was nice to watch kids just play- no toys and no technology.

OLD BUSINESS- Playground is done and installed. Students love it! No injuries have been reported to date.

MOTION TO ADJOURN 10:50 A.M. by Meghan Simmons. Second by Amanda Moberly.