

PTO Meeting Minutes

October 12, 2016

The September PTO meeting was called to order at 7:03 pm.

Members present included Amanda Johnson, Duana Howard, Gina Homan, Shannon Conaway, Nikki Sidles, Sarah Lewin, Louise Brown, Tara Anderson, Holli Osvald and Cyndi Losey

Welcome

Amanda Johnson, Co-Chair, welcomed everyone to the October meeting and proceeded to have introductions made around the room.

Treasurer's Report – (Duana Howard)

PTO Fund

Beginning Balance: 9/15/16	\$16,731.26
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Total Income	\$0.00
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Total Expenses	\$498.45
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Ending Balance: 10/12/16	\$16,232.81
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Expected Expenses:	\$6,232.50 (West School Supplies, EWALU/Living History Farms-2016, Remaining Teacher Reimbursements, JK Play Items, Kindergarten Rug)
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East Funds

Beginning Balance: 9/15/16	\$6,108.70
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Income	\$26.02
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Expenses	\$0.00
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Ending Balance: 10/12/16	\$6,134.72
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Total Checkbook Balance: 10/12/16	\$22,367.53
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Duana wanted to remind everyone that you can donate your pop can/bottle money to the PTO through Nickelback and if you shop through Amazon, please use Amazon Smile and a portion of your purchase can be donated to Independence PTO. Shannon brought to our attention that if you happen to shop through Office Depot, a portion of your purchase can be donated to the Independence Schools.

Old Business

Harvest Night 2016 was a success! Melaine from Cherrydale Fundraising Company was there with us to promote and serve food samples for our fundraiser.

Shannon Conaway and Cyndi Losey were voted onto the board.

Jenny Beatty's Kindergarten rug fund request was approved and ordered for \$379.00.

New Business

Fundraiser Update: Our fundraiser was successful. The students were excited and additional order forms for families were obtained from the East Office. All of the packets were collected and money was counted on Thursday, October 14.

Volunteers Needed: We will need volunteers on Thursday, November 17 when the truck arrives to deliver our fundraiser products and prizes. Unloading will begin at 1:00 pm. Pick up for families begins at 3:30 and will go until 6 pm.

PTO Bulletin Boards: We have a bulletin board at East and West. There is room to put up pictures, meeting times and reminders of PTO events/happenings. Louise Brown has volunteered to take care of updating our East Elementary bulletin board and we are looking for someone to take over the one at West. If you are interested, please let Amanda know.

PTO shirts: There are shirts available for purchase for \$15, if interested. There are also a few shirts available to be borrowed for events.

Teacher Conference Meal: This was discussed and Shannon is going to check with both principals to see what date they would like to cover for the meal and we will provide the meal the other day for the staff. 1st Street Deli was chosen for sandwiches. There will be a Google Doc sent out for volunteers for chips, desserts, bottled water and ice.

Friends of Education Award: The PTO was nominated again for this award. The award will be given on October 17, 2016.

Upcoming Events

PTO Family Movie Night-Friday, November 11, 2016

Volunteers Needed: A Google Doc will be sent out to help get volunteers for this event.

Fund Requests

Holli Osvald and Tara Anderson presented a fund request for electric pencil sharpeners for their classrooms. They requested 1 for each of their classrooms at a cost of \$28.96 each. The fund request was approved by unanimous paper ballot vote. It was discussed that we will reach out and see what need there is for more pencil sharpeners in the buildings.

There will be no December PTO Meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 7:55 pm.

Submitted by Cyndi Losey/PTO Secretary

PTO Board/Officers:

Amanda Johnson Co-Chair

Shannon Conaway Co-Chair

Duana Howard Treasurer

Cyndi Losey Secretary