

PTO General Meeting Minutes

October 10, 2017

Multi Purpose Room

Attendance: Rosibel Argueta, Miranda Barton, Kristen Bell-Kelly, Heather Bilich, Maria Carter-Giannini, Lorraine Cho, Anna Chua, Nathan Contino, Wendy Escobar, Jennifer Flores, Megan Formariz, Vanessa Fumia, Deborah Gonzalez-Torres, Marla Guttman, Liz Kessler, Roxanne Lanzot, Luis Leal, Sue Link, Armando Lopez, Yvonne Lopez, Vanessa Manrique, Jeanette Marin, Lenia Melendrez, Rachel Mino, Dolores Montez, Cari Nystrom, Manro Perez, Matt Quarneri, Sabrina Ramirez, Emma Rawnsley, Maria Rodriguez, Vi Rodriguez, Randi Rosen, Emily Rosenbaum, Gregory Roth, Damaris Scheichl, Lindsay Telucci, Deborah Torres, Sarah Van Allen, Dolores Walker, Betty Woychowski, Calin Yuan, Sergio Zamora.

Called to Order 7:04 pm

Budget Update

The budget presented at last month's meeting has been approved via online vote. There were a few minor changes to budget:

1. Fall Festival expenses were increased slightly
2. Randi upped the income in other areas to compensate
3. A gain of \$77 for the year is now a gain in \$177 for the year

Last year the PTO made for the recess coach and this year we have the money to spend elsewhere and will be promoting an ACE coding class.

Our biggest fundraiser, the walk-a-thon, is coming up so there will be more to report at the next meeting.

Walk-A-Thon

Walk-a-thon is on Friday - we need more volunteers. Go to the Trace or PTO website and find the ivolunteer link to sign up.

Emma reviewed the important details of the walk-a-thon. All walk cards will stay with walk administrators to prevent loss of cards/lanyards. Each class has 30 minutes to walk and will have a colored card with lanyard that will get punched at each station. There will be lunchtime walking and afterschool walking.

Pledges are due 11/3/2017. There will be a master list of students and number of laps walked that will go to teachers so teachers can tell parents how many laps their child walked.

Fall Festival

The Fall Festival is Saturday and a few more volunteers are needed. See Trace or PTO website for volunteer link. Need set up help at 7 am on day of. Lorraine will be making a balloon arch on Thursday at the library at 12 pm. Please come help!

Needed: canopies, long outdoor power cords (heavy duty)

5th grade will be providing food: Mexican food and pizza.

Description of activities: train, new inflatable obstacle course, magician, face paint, Home Depot activity, tie dye t-shirts w/ new tiger logo, Hogwarts castle w/ slime, wands, feather quills, coodie catchers, Haunted walk, pumpkin patch, 2nd grade singers

Food fundraising

We brought in \$319 from Round Table fundraiser. Tacolicious is the whole month of October - 15% of all Monday sales in October.

Box Tops

There is an 11/1 collection date and a spring collection date.

Other fundraising

Suggestion to sell PTO merchandise at general meetings.

There will be a Savers drive in November - 20 cents per pound soft items; 10 cents per pound heavy items.

Write-a-check takes place in February but really PTO will take a check any time of the year, if you want to donate.

Kendra Scott night on 11/8 - 20% of profits between 6-9 pm will be given to Trace PTO

See's Candy fundraiser starts on 11/9.

ACE Coding class

Trace PTO is subsidizing a coding class that will start at the end of October. It will be Java programming. It will run from 10/27 - 12/22 and it is for 3rd - 5th graders. There is an online class with 2 live teachers and one teacher present in class. 1 volunteer teacher at class will get a free enrollment for their child.

The cost is \$135 for child but the PTO is subsidizing so cost will only be \$35 for child.

There will be two more sessions in the spring.

Principal Update: Principal Rodriguez

There will be a coffee with the principal on Wednesday October 11th from 9 am 10 am in K3. The topics will include report cards (which come out 10/23-11/3) and minimum days (10/30-11/3). Ms. Rodriguez will provide recommendations for questions for meeting with teachers. She will also discuss the SARC report card for last year - Trace is growing but not at rate that the principal wants to see. We need to see more improvement in early literacy.

If you can't come to the coffee, ask for a personal meeting with the principal.

Play structure is almost fixed. TBD on whether district will fix the last playground.

Traffic: there is an afternoon appt for the city to do a traffic watch but we may need to ask them to come back and watch in the morning, too. You can submit videos for the principal to show the city. There will be a draft report and we can create a safety committee for feedback before the final report.

If your child receives a "at risk of retention" letter it indicates that the child has multiple struggles and that is there is no growth throughout school year the child may not grade up.

Tiger store donations being accepted (stickers, pencils, small items, new and gently used).

Meeting Minutes

Jeanette Marin motioned to approve May 2017 minutes; Lindsay Telucci seconded. Voted and passed.

Emma Rawnsley motioned to approve September 2017 minutes; Anna Chuya seconded. Voted and passed.

Meeting adjourned at 8:03 pm.