

PTO October Meeting Minutes

November 17, 2023

Called to Order 9:06 am

I. Approval of October minutes

- A. K. Crabtree motion to approve; S. Zummwalt second; motion passed

II. Principal's Update

- A. Playground gate will be closed at 3:30 for security reasons
- B. Access to playground will not be impeded, access will still be available via gate by flagpole

III. Fundraising

A. Bucks for Bush

1. Full debrief after the holidays
2. Current donations = about \$44,000; on track to make \$45,000 minimum
3. Not likely to make \$85,000 goal
4. Hitting the \$45k goal is a success for our first year running this program
5. Employer matching dollars are not all in; will take time to get those funds and final total
6. Memorial bricks generated lots of interest- almost \$4,000 in funds raised
 - a) Limited to Fourth grade and alumni
 - b) Will continue in future
 - c) Possibly increase donation amount

B. Spirit Nights

1. January and February are scheduled (none for December)
2. Lower turnout for past couple events
 - a) Some extenuating circumstances- weather, venue changed date at last minute, etc.
 - b) Will increase promotion to help participation

C. Jingle Bell Run

1. 12/12 at Fields at Alden Bridge Park
2. Borrowing equipment to keeps costs low but snow machine was purchased
3. Sponsor shirts will be distributed

D. Bonanza

1. Plan to make children's raffle item purchases over Black Friday

IV. Treasurer's Update

- A. \$54, 806 net revenue thus far
 1. All funds are accounted

- 2. VPs manage budgets accordingly
- B. Cash on Hand: \$118, 885
 - 1. Mostly playground allocations
- V. Services
 - A. Trunk or Treat
 - 1. All candy purchased with sponsor funds was distributed
 - 2. Hopeful to have even more trunks decorated next year
 - 3. Move event management to VP of Programs
 - B. Academic Outreach
 - 1. Choosing dates for two (2) in-house field trips after the break
 - C. Teacher Grants
 - 1. Teacher wishlists will be requested; will have until January to submit
 - D. School Supplies
 - 1. Discuss vendor change after the break
- VI. Spirit Days
 - A. Lower participation this month
 - B. Likely because of many other events taking place around the same time
- VII. Meeting opened to Questions

Meeting adjourned 9:46 am