



**Timber Ridge PTO Minutes  
December 12, 2017**

### Call to order 7:03p

A meeting of [Timber Ridge Elementary PTO](#) was held at [TRE LMC](#) on [12/12/2017](#). Board Members present: Co-Presidents: Jason Arnold & Beth Arnold, Treasurer: Monica Hoff, Secretary: Lacey Giunta. PTO Members present: see sign-in sheet.

### Approval of minutes

Motion to approve edited November 2017 minutes was made by Monica Hoff and seconded by Sara Miller. Motion passed.

### Reports

**Treasurer's report** presented by Treasurer, Monica Hoff. Collected for JA Biztown, Company matches, Amazon Smile, & \$1100 for Johnston Strong shirts fundraiser. Paid Johnston Strong teacher shirts. Grant money updated on report. Approval of report motioned by Alex K. and seconded by Stacey S.

### Committees:

#### **Fall Book Fair (Sara M/Megan T)**

Bookfair at \$8000 revenue. Sara was able to allocate \$165 per classroom teachers and \$80 per related arts teachers to make purchases.

#### **Hospitality (Megan W)**

Cookie exchange December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017. All spots filled. 90 Dozen.

#### **Yearbook (Alex)**

Lots of entries for the art contest for the cover. Winners have been chosen and will be announced once confirmed from LifeTouch they can be uploaded. 5<sup>th</sup> grade tweets will be collected after winter break for \$3 per tweet. Send pictures and upload them to the LifeTouch website.

#### **Fundraising (Stacey)**

Fareway Round-Up \$200 for TRE. Purple Party to be held last week in January. Elementaries are responsible for baskets. We'll be coming up with themes and collecting items for baskets. Last year \$2100 collected from Purple Party.

#### **Family Nights (Lacey)**

December Events: TRE Night at the Iowa Wild. 12/10. TRE Night at the Iowa Wolves 12/23 50 Free Tickets. Next Skate Night: April 3. New time: 5-8pm.

## Old business

### New Business

#### **Josh Willis Johnston Foundation – presented.**

Foundation began reaching out to PTO's to avoid duplication of district grant requests and building grant requests and to avoid duplication in asking for funds from community partners. Goal to fund for educational excellence (typically not sports) 501(C)(3). Foundation working on funding Outdoor Learning Center at High School currently. Tabled the imagination playground equipment for now. Foundation funded Classroom Grants – applications accepted in the Spring. Extended invitation for Josh to attend Joint PTO meeting in 2018 which will be located at Timber Ridge.

1<sup>st</sup> grade teachers (McGaha, Bergeson, Swift) presented and shared how their grant items (Hoki wobble stools, sit dots, sensory cushions, white board tables) are working in their classroom and how the variety is benefiting students and that they are using them every day. Definitely a positive trend in education to offer students flexible seating. First Grade thanks PTO for the Book Fair.

2<sup>nd</sup> grade teachers (Brown, Lorenzen, Lewis, Griffin) PTO grant for Insect Zoo. Monthly/Bi-monthly reading celebration in 2<sup>nd</sup> grade communities. Focus on developing their love of reading.

#### **Fifth Grade Celebration 2018**

Proposed to do all district 5<sup>th</sup> grade celebration but that isn't coming to fruition. Each building will be doing their own celebration again this year.

### Announcements

**Timber Ridge News** – Mrs. Harrison: Thank you PTO for the conference meal. Met with Selena McClish to discuss future of Biztown. Mrs. Harrison will follow up with other buildings as to the process for next year.

**Adjournment** – Motion to adjourn meeting made by Stacey. Seconded by Alex . Meeting adjourned approximately 8:01p. Motion passes.

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Secretary

Date of approval