



## Timber Ridge PTO Minutes

March 27, 2018

### Call to order 7:00p

A meeting of Timber Ridge Elementary PTO was held at TRE LMC on 3/27/2018. 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 February 2018 was tabled for April.

### Reports

**Treasurer's report** presented by Treasurer, Monica Hoff. Updates: Unfundraiser & Amazon Smile deposits were made. \$1000 expenditure for PE Skates.

Approval of report motioned by Stacey S and seconded by Alex K.

### Committees:

**Yearbook (Alex)** This year the 5<sup>th</sup> grade memory book was incorporated in with the yearbook. Due to the additional pages, so far the yearbook sales and expenses are even. Deadline has been extended for this week with a chance of profit. The committee is also hoping to be able to cover a few free books for selected students.

**Spring Book Fair (Beth & Jason)** Book fair went well. \$10,688 in sales. Scholastic gives back 50% of sales in Scholastic Dollars. All for Books donations totaled \$521 for the library. Thank you to book fair volunteers!

**Educational rebates:** The last minute Box Tops push raised over \$400.

**Hospitality (Beth R):** Teacher Appreciation event upcoming in May. Possible donations needed.

**School Supplies: (Beth R)** Flyers for school supplies boxes were put in teacher mailboxes. Link will also be available on Facebook for the online orders. \$10 profit per box. Beth R will send to Tracey F for newsletter.

**Communications: (Beth A)** Facebook Guidelines For Timber Ridge Elementary PTO reviewed. To be posted to the group. Feedback/ideas are welcome. Please contact Jason and Beth Arnold.

**Fifth Grade Celebration: (Suzanne D)** The date is set for May 15 (Rain Date: 5/17) 10a-2p. Several activities including but not limited to: Laser Tag, Go Karts, Basketball, Inflatables, Bags, Sand Volleyball, Crafts, Spin Art, etc. Sack Lunch needed. Permission slips to go home in May. Water donations offered from Monica. Total of 108 - 5<sup>th</sup> graders. Teachers report that they already are aware of several parent volunteers interested. Teachers will get that information to Suzanne.

**Family Committee:** Save the date: 5/20 TRE 5K. More details to come at April meeting. Running Club Kids are looking forward to participating.

## Old business

Memorial for Mr. Robb Spellman – tabled for now.

## New Business

### Leader In Me presentation by Lance:

*“Leadership is communicating peoples worth and potential so clearly that they are inspired to see it in themselves.” -Steven Covey*

This is a program already being implemented at Timber Ridge but will become more widespread in the next school year. Parent sessions will offered down the road. Lance shared the ‘7 Habits of Happy Kids’. The program is designed to be a collaboration between parents, school, and children to build a foundation for fundamental skills that can be used universally.

5<sup>th</sup> Grade **Clap Out** will happen.

In regards to **Parent drop-off & pick up** protocol. It was suggested that more signage could be beneficial. Kelley Harrison offered that she will talk to George.

Question was raised about funding **field trips**. Grades have \$7 per student to plan for field trips funded by the school. Field trips can also be funded by outside grants. This leads to some grades having more field trips than others. Field trip requests are designated to go to the school administration first for approval and for funding. The idea of ‘experiences’ grants was again explored. This would be separate committee from the currently named Grants Committee as the grants that go through that committee are for tangible items. Shaun Russel volunteered that she is willing to chair an experiences grant committee. More discussion to follow at April PTO meeting.

Concern presented by a parent in regards to **communication** to parents and teachers about changes within our school and district. The example stated was Biztown. Kelley acknowledged that the Administration is aware and hopes to improve moving forward.

## Announcements

If there is **money to go to the treasurer, please put it in the safe** (located in the office) to be collected by Monica rather than holding on to it to hand it over in person or passing it between people to get to Monica.

### Timber Ridge News – Mrs. Harrison:

First **Dragon’s Dream Day** was a success!– Teachers report that they saw 5<sup>th</sup> graders taking leadership roles. Parents reported they heard good feedback from their students. The school is making plans to continue and build on it for next year.

**May 17<sup>th</sup> 4-6p Learning Expo** (new!) – summer ideas for math, reading, etc for parents. Set up like a vendor fair. PTO station offered.

Developmental Kindergarten will be at Lawson next year. Preschool will move to Wallace.

Friday **May 25<sup>th</sup> is Field Day**.

Adjournment – Motion to adjourn meeting made by Monica. Seconded by Marcy. Motion passes. Meeting adjourned approximately 8:18p.