



## Timber Ridge PTO Minutes

April 10, 2018

### Call to order 7:01p

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 & March 2018 minutes by Amy; seconded by Laurel. Minutes approved.

### Reports

**Treasurer's report** tabled for May 2018 PTO meeting.

### Committees:

**Yearbook (Alex)** Will have committee report for May 2018 PTO meeting.

**Hospitality (Beth & Amy)** Teacher Appreciation week 5/7-11. Monday-donuts & coffee, Tuesday-treats, Wednesday- Target gift card, Thursday – Treat, Friday Texas Roadhouse Catering. Amy will accept volunteers to assemble staff gifts. Learning Expo needs treats. Mrs. Harrison stated Monica will get donated water. Motion to buy 10 dozen cookies made by Laurel and approved. Beth & Jason will purchase cookies for the event.

**Original Works: (Michelle)** Michelle not present but already has sent home magnets and will put additional information out in newsletter and FB page.

**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.

**Summer Reading/Math: (Sarah)** More info to come in May.

**Family Committee:** 5/20/18 TRE 5K. All profits to be donated to the ALS Association Iowa Chapter. Choose Kind campaign. T-shirt order forms and Wonder movie watching at library. Information sent in district-wide email. 5/24/18 Free skating party sponsored by Skate North.

### Old business

Memorial for Mr. Robb Spellman – tabled for now.

## New Business

New standing committee, Experiences Grant Committee, voted in by board. Next meeting we will vote to set a budget for the 2018-19 school year. This committee will work with Kelley to fund grants for experiences such as speakers, assemblies, and field trips. Committee will work closely with Kelley to determine appropriate allocation of funds. Suggestion was made to follow similar time frame as existing grant committee deadlines.

## Announcements

**ESL Teachers** shared how they have been able to use their PTO grant to buy curriculum books – “big books” for their kindergarten and 1<sup>st</sup> grade students.

**Special Education teachers** shared how they have used their PTO grant to buy a laminator and it has been nice to have quick access to materials versus several days like before.

**Reading Team** shared how they have appreciated the conference dinners for teachers and the treats provided by PTO.

### Timber Ridge News- Mrs. Harrison

**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 table. Cookies & water. Time set to attract parents at after school pick-up and KTC pick-ups.

**Teacher Assignment Letters** – 1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grades should have teacher letters mailed 8/10/18 and Kindergarten letters mailed 8/15/18. Infinite Campus to be updated 8/15 as well.

**Kindergarten Jump Start** –incoming kindergartens to attend **Aug 13 & 14** - 2 day event to be held for 1.5 hours. More details to come. There will be no spring kindergarten round-up.

2018-19 School Year **TRE Open House: 8/21/18**, Families new to TRE 2:30-3p, All families 3-4:30p.

It has been ‘**hiring season**’ at TRE. They plan to add short bios of new staff to the TRE Newsletter. So far for the 2018-19 school year there will be FOUR sections of kindergarten & 3<sup>rd</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> grades, FIVE sections of 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, & 4<sup>th</sup> grades. Only one open position remains.

**JA Biztown** admission to be funded by district and bussing to be funded by our elementary building.

Adjournment – Motion to adjourn meeting made by Laurel. Seconded by Michelle V. Motion passes. Meeting adjourned approximately 7:40p.

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Secretary

Date of approval