



Timber Ridge PTO Minutes 1.8.19

Call to Order 7:06PM

- A meeting of Timber Ridge Elementary PTO was held at TRE LMC on 1.8.19.
- Board Members present: Co-Presidents: Jason Arnold & Beth Arnold, Secretary: Amy Withers
- PTO Members present: see sign-in sheet.

Approval of Minutes

- Approval of December minutes: motion to approve made by Alex, Seconded by Michelle. Approved.

Treasurer's Report

- Treasurer's Report: Monica was absent so no report

TR News- Mrs. Harrison

- Rachel's Challenge scheduled for Feb. 7
 - 45 min assembly for k-4
 - 60 min assembly for 5th grade
 - 6:30-7:30 community event at JMS auditorium for ages 11 +
 - That is the same night as the skate night so there may be a conflict there. Lacey will look into moving skate party
 - Kelley is working with district communications director to get the word out.
 - Shawn is also reaching out to Johnston Living magazing as well as news channels to spread the word.
 - Will need volunteers for that evening. Beth will set up a Volunteer Spot
- Friday, May 3- Dragon Dream Day 9:00-3:00. Will need volunteers
- Second Grade Teachers: Lori Lewis, Cheryl Lorenzen, Hanna Humpal, Libby Peyton, Autumn Ehlers
 - Classes are working on measurements. Students were given measurements to make a gingerbread man and divided into groups to create the various gingerbread body parts
 - Recess expectations- classes are taking turns presenting to other classes about recess expectations.

- Farmer's Market will be right before Spring break.
- Book Bracket will be in March
- Lori Lewis received a new table from grants but it arrived damaged so she is looking forward to having it in her room soon!
- Lori Lewis has a behavior system where she uses gems for students to buy items at her "Gem store". She would appreciate donations of small toys/crafts/books, etc for students to buy.

Committee Reports:

- Grants (Michelle)-
 - Does Monica have a specific total that we've spent for Fall grants? Committee needs to know how much they have left in their budget. Approximate budget is about \$4000 remaining. (Monica is not present to give those answers)
 - Next grant committee meeting Feb 4, 6-8pm
- Experiences
 - Exercise Your Character at HyVee hall for 4th and 5th grade. If 5th grade goes, we will be \$148 short. - April 9 10:30-12:00
 - Spent \$5398 so far, \$2152 balance for committee.
- Yearbook (Alex)
 - Megan sent out 5th grade Tweet information. Tweets are due next Friday 1/11 and cost \$5.
 - Most classes got their pictures taken with their purple shirts. Students who are not to be photographed will be still included and then photoshopped out later.
 - Please keep sending pictures! Phones take the best pictures, iPads take terrible pictures. The bigger the file, the better. At least 1mb is ideal.
 - Large school photo is planned for this Spring.
 - Email Timberidgeyearbook@gmail.com if you need photographers for specific events.
- Hospitality (Megan)
 - Cookie exchange went well- we had the exact amount of cookies we needed
 - Chocolate feast is Feb 14th.
 - Teacher Appreciation Week planning is underway.
- Box Tops (Alex)
 - Keep collecting Box Tops and send them in as you get them. Please make sure teacher's name is on them.
 - Alex is looking into getting pizza donations from Pizza Hut to have a pizza party for the class that collects the most Box Tops.
- Family Nights (Lacey)
 - Last month was Iowa Wild game and the Wild won!
 - Skate party 2/7 5-8pm. Last skate party had a small turnout.
- Book Fair (Beth)
 - Feb 25- Mar 5 tentative dates

New Business

- Gusto fundraiser 1/16 (Wednesday) 5-9pm. Details to come on Facebook page.
- All District PTO Mtg.
 - Tues 2/12 6:30- Wallace Library
 - The first part of the meeting is all PTOs together and Laura Kacer will speak, then we split off into individual PTOs for meetings.
 - Not sure if there is childcare or not.
- Teacher Grant
 - Proposed by Sara Miller (absent)- each teacher would get a grant for classroom spending, since they tend to spend money out of pocket for classrooms/students.
 - This would not include new teachers, who already receive \$200 for their classrooms.
 - We have 45 teachers, 10 are new, so it would be about a \$3500 expenditure.
 - We do not have an accurate budget at this point. Motion to table until we have an accurate budget report made by Laurel, seconded by Michelle and Alex. Discussion ensued about the concern about tabling the discussion for another two months. Number in favor of tabling discussion until we have an accurate treasurer's report: 9. Number opposed: 4. Motion passed.
- Spring Spirit Wear Fundraiser
 - Will have another spirit wear fundraiser in the spring. Feb 25- March 8.
 - Possibly different items available.
 - We still do not have the check from fall fundraiser.
- Next Year's PTO
 - We need a treasurer for next year!
 - Will need to vote on committee heads as well, so start thinking about that now.
- Purple Party
 - We will have Purple Party this year (first Saturday in Feb.) but we do not have a basket person.
 - We have not yet been paid for last year's Purple Party.

Adjourn

Motion to Adjourn made by Shawn. Seconded by Alex. Motion passed. **Adjourned at 8:12pm.**