

TES Parent Teacher Group Meeting

December 6, 2017

1. Lisa called the meeting to order at 6:02 pm.
2. Present: Lisa Magnus, Kathryn Anderson, Tricia Tallman, Stephanie Wilcox, Brianne Jenkins, Erin Chamberlin, Laura Cherry, Amber Stone, Amber Shireman, Apryl Smith, Serena Wolf
3. Principal Update – None at this time.
4. District Update - None at this time.
5. Teacher Liaison Update - None at this time.
6. Technology
 - a. Apryl Smith, 4th Grade Teacher and TES Technology Coordinator introduced herself. She discussed the needs TES has around technology, see attached handout. A request for the PTG to purchase new technology was made based on these points.
 - b. It was noted that the library will be receiving a cart of Chromebooks. There is still a need for technology for younger grades not able to use Chromebooks. Mrs. Atkerson will do research and get back to us regarding further needs.
 - c. Ms. Smith's recommendations and points to consider included:
 - Immediate device needs for SPED and a large fifth grade cohort in order to implement math, writing and reading curriculum.
 - TES fundraising money can be utilized for the Reflex program versus Parent Group funds so PTG funds can be utilized for new technology purchases.
 - Machines purchased with TES funds count against our count of machines able to be purchased later with bond funds.
 - As a PTG and TES leadership team combined, we can stretch our dollars further by purchasing machines with PTG funds and software with TES funds. This will result in the largest number of machines able to be purchased.
 - d. It was agreed TES fundraising dollars will be used to purchase Reflex. Lisa motioned for the PTG to donate \$7,000 from the Tech. Read-A-Thon and the \$3,000 previously earmarked for Reflex for a total of \$10,000. Tricia seconded the motion, all members present in favor. The motion was approved.
7. Dinners Out
 - a. Chipotle Night raised \$265.20. We have not had the numbers come in from BJs yet.
 - b. We may talk about moving the Chipotle night to December since turnout in October seemed low. We get the most percentage of funds back from the Chipotle nights.
8. Month of Giving and Other Fundraisers
 - a. A total of approximately \$500 was collected. A tree of joy also took place and Waypoint did baskets for families. We will talk more once all money is totaled, there didn't seem to be as much participation this year.
 - b. SCRIP – Turn out was okay. We earned \$653.28. \$45 of what was raised was from donations.
 - c. Cheetah Wear – Will be picked up tomorrow.

9. Volunteer Update

- a. We have been having great participation. We will need more hands closer to FFN, but so far things are moving along at a great pace.
- b. Popcorn still needs volunteers. If we can get more people, it would be possible to add more days.
- c. Book Fair – It was extremely difficult to get volunteers this year. This is the only book fair we will be holding this year because the spring BOGO book fair actually ends up costing us money. We do need to ask teachers for wish lists earlier next year to get them set-up before the book fair begins. Ideas regarding how to have a more successful book fair next year were discussed. Changing the time of year it takes place was one idea, another was to hold it closer to FFN so that parent volunteers can earn admission to FFN.

10. Upcoming Fundraisers

- a. 12/7, Mod Pizza Dinner Nights Out

11. Snowball Fight

- a. Mrs. Gorham wants to schedule this after the kids get back from school. An email will be sent out to coordinate.

12. Meeting Adjourned at 6:50 pm

Submitted by Brianne Jenkins, PTG Secretary