

LOM PTO Minutes

Monday, May 9, 2016 - Cafeteria

Liza Burns called the meeting to order at 7:05pm

WELCOME – LIZA BURNS

Welcomed all to the meeting.

APPROVAL OF APRIL 2016 MINUTES – JENNIFER DUNNION

No corrections to the April minutes, meeting minutes were approved.

PTO FINANCES - DENA WINGERT

Finance report passed out. Boosterthon currently has collected \$46,400. We have paid the Boosterthon \$15524.43. Apx. \$5,000 is still outstanding. If we collect all the money, we will make apx. \$33,000. Expenses: In April PTO purchased an Ice Machine for the Nurses office and awards for field day. Evening of Arts Raffle made \$1969. Expenses for the Evening of the Arts are in the PTO mailbox.

BOOSTERTHON – DENA WINGERT

Boosterthon currently has collected \$46,400. We have paid the Boosterthon \$15524.43. Apx. \$5,000 is still outstanding. If we collect all the money, we will make apx. \$33,000. Fliers have been printed and passed out to the parents and teachers. If Teachers get 100% of the donations collected from their classrooms, they will get \$50. Collection has to happen by the end of the school year. This year the Boosterthon was off to a slow start, but then ended up being great.

Future of the Boosterthon:

If we do Boosterthon again we need to work on getting 5th & 6th graders more involved in the process. A special run for 5th & 6th Graders to work towards, maybe pit them against each other. Need to find a way to make it interesting for them to talk about.

Emily Elbert asked if the Boosterthon replaced the Catalog Sales Fundraiser. It did. Catalog Fundraiser profit was only 48%-50% of sales. Boosterthon gives us up to 65% of the donations. Fall Festival was also a larger moneymaker in the past, now it is more of a Community Event. The only way to maybe not do the Boosterthon again would be for the Direct Drive to make apx. \$50,000. Dena and Liza said that they would both run the Boosterthon again if the PTO decides to do again next year.

Kim Baker asked what happened to the Silent Auction at the Fall Festival. After several years of not making a lot of money and being very labor intensive, we decided to try the Silent Auction at Evening of the Arts. This year, we decided to hold a raffle the day of the Evening of the Arts. The raffle items were donations from corporate companies that Jennifer Dunnion solicited. The Raffle made \$1960.

EVENING OF THE ARTS – LIZA BURNS FOR SUE DIAZ

Target volunteers were a great help. A big concern was the art was not ready to be put together for the evening. Artwork must be done prior to Spring Break. Audrey Barrett said they are hoping to have bulletin boards up at each classroom by next year and then hang the artwork on them.

Ms. Barrett also asked if anyone had heard anything regarding the Kinder performance prior to Zoofari. No one had heard anything.

Sue felt that there were too many things going on during the same time during the Evening of the Arts. Volunteers were scarce per Sue, but maybe it was more of the scheduling of the volunteers. With

artwork not being done, it was hard to get people last minute. Kim Baker suggested that maybe we get volunteers to help with the Art Teachers and getting it together.

Book fair was a great success during the Evening of the Arts. Next year they are going to increase the space of the Book fair.

BOOKFAIR – LIZA BURNS FOR HEIDI KILBOURNE

Book fair made \$7460 in Scholastic Dollars. There were several problems this year with volunteers being cancelled last minute. Heidi Kilbourne will be taking over the book fair next year. She has a vision to making it great next year!

PRINCIPALS REPORT – AUDREY BARRETT

Things are winding down. A lot of activities are happening in each grade level. Huge thank you to the PTO for all you do. The Boosterthon was a terrific success. Teacher Appreciation week was amazing with treats all week and the adorable cake pops and cookies passed around on Thursday.

Liza Burns asked if Ms. Barrett could discuss staffing issues for next year. Ms. Barrett said unfortunately nothing is set in stone.

PTO EXPENSES – LIZA BURNS

PTO needs to figure out a way to properly handle request for money from the PTO. In this past year, PTO has helped subsidize field trips, grade level parties and various items. We want to make sure that everyone is aware that they can ask PTO and also put some guidelines around the request.

After much discussion it was determined that a form needs to be created (Karen Konetzni will create) for teachers to fill out, giving the PTO a description of why the money is needed and how much is needed.

Ms. Barrett suggested that maybe said form should go to Ms. Johnson or herself, to make sure that they are utilizing all areas of funding (Field Trip expenses may be able to come from the tax credit money).

OFFICER NOMINATIONS 2016/2017 – LIZA BURNS

Officer nominations from the previous meeting were:

Karen Konetzni, President
Dena Wingert, Vice President
Emily Elbert, Treasurer
Jennifer Dunnion, Secretary

Kim Baker made a motion to approve all Officer Nominations. Liza Burns second the motion. All in attendance voted yes.

OPEN FORUM

The PTO wanted to thank Liza Burns for her hard work during the last two years as President and the year before that as Secretary. Thank you for being an asset to the PTO and Lookout Mountain Elementary School.

Next meeting is tentatively scheduled for Monday, September 12 at 7pm. Meeting was adjourned at 7:50pm

ATTENDANCE: Liza Burns, President / Karen Konetzni, Vice President / Jennifer Dunnion, Secretary / Dena Wingert, Treasurer / Audrey Barrett, Assistant Principal / Kim Baker / Emily Elbert