

PTG Meeting Minutes: September 9th, 2021

Meeting called to order at 6:03pm

No minutes to approve as this is first meeting of school year

Attending: Jessica Basta, Christy Parker, Wes Balcom, Jana Weiland, Rachel Lamos, Joelle Hendry, Shannon Pierce, Rachael Kelley, Ashley Latremore, Ariam Valencia, Thomas O'Hara, Rebecca O'Hara, Ashlee Krebs

Principal Report:

- o Two events did not make it on the school calendar
 - o Oct 1st school pictures – The district is using Lifetouch this year; affordable and digital options with Shutterfly
 - o Open house – October 7th from 6pm-7pm. The event will have a fall book fair and masks will be required
- o ALL breakfasts and lunches are free to EVERY student in the school. Families should still fill out free/reduced lunch applications as this impacts funding for the school significantly. New food services director is FANTASTIC and has been attentive getting school year off on right track
- o Morning program starts on Monday; held each Monday and Friday for K-5 students from 8:45am-9:05am. Parents are welcome but should bring their driver's license and will be required to wear a mask.

Teacher Report: Presented by Rachael Kelley

- o Second teacher representative will be Lacey Phillips this year
- o Rachael will let teachers know
 - o Teacher mini grants have been raised from \$50 to \$75.
 - o Jana created a google form that can be used so that teachers can submit grant applications online to reduce paper.
 - o They can be submitted between January and April

Treasurer Report: Presented by Jana Weiland and Christy Parker

Jana reviewed fundraisers for new members and shared how fundraisers performed and what items were budgeted for this school year

Planned Fundraisers

- o Cherrydale – catalog sale

- o Raffle calendar – donations are collected from local business to raffle on a calendar
- o Mini sessions – a local photographer, Julie Pratt, donates her time and half of the session cost to PTG
- o Craft nights – will try to hold 3 this year; a fall craft, a student paint night, and an adult paint night
- o Bushel and a Peck/Donations/BoxTops – fundraiser option for people who do not wish to buy items but would rather donate money directly to PTG. Also includes community donations and money raised from Box Tops (which has significantly decreased since the program went digital)
- o Color Run – event towards the end of the year

Projected expenses

- o Pulaski Pride Shirt; \$2,500 – each student K-5 receives a t shirt, each classroom has a different color. Students wear shirts for pride days, field trips, and Scoville Olympics and keep the shirts at the end of the year.
- o Teacher Mini Grants; \$3,025 – \$75 per eligible teacher/staff member to support classroom/student needs
- o Field Trips; \$3,000 – each student is eligible for \$7 toward field trip costs
- o Morning Program; \$1,000 – to support materials regarding character education and theme days
- o Staff Appreciation; \$200 – for teacher appreciation week event
- o Events; \$200 – to be used for any events hosted by PTG for families such as movie nights, gym nights, etc.
- o Administrative Appreciation Day; \$100 – funds to help us show appreciation to Barb and Loriann in the office for their support of PTG needs
- o Backpack Program; \$250 – funds to a community program that supplies food items to students in need of them
- o Student Recognition (5th grade end of year celebration); \$500 – PTG supplies t-shirts for 5th graders
- o End of year Ice cream; \$250 – each student receives one ice cream to celebrate working hard all year
- o School Needs; \$500 – funds set aside to meet any needs of the school community that come up. PTG welcomes feedback from the school community on needs these funds can meet.
- o 501c Incorporation; \$300 – to pay fees associated with application for nonprofit status
- o Bank fees/returned checks/supplies and postage: Total of \$150

Jessica and Wesleyann voted to approve the budget.

New Business:

- o Magnets – went home with pre-k and new students. Some kindergarteners did not receive it – Rachael will follow up on this
- o Playground slide – has been repaired!

- o Future meeting minutes will be emailed to the group the week of the meeting for advance review to save both time and paper.
- o 501c Status update – step 3 of the process was completed, waiting for the state to approve application before last step can be taken. State is very backed up in approving applications.
- o At the meeting parents identified that daycare at the meeting would be helpful to support attendance - Shannon Pierce will arrange a sitter to come starting next month. Children over 2 yrs. old are welcome and will be supervised on other side of the cafeteria.
- o PTG will staff a table at Open house –. Christy will do first half hour and Wes will do the 2nd.

Fundraisers:

- o Reviewed fundraiser info sheet
- o Cherrydale - Christy/Jana Chair – catalogs will go home around 9/24 and due back around 10/8. Orders will come in around 11/15 so they can be distributed at parent teacher conferences later that week. The sale will be hybrid; options to order on paper or online and have shipped to home or school
- o Photo Mini Sessions – Wes is chairing – Julie Pratt has agreed to do them again this year – potentially at Selkirk! Dates will be identified in late October/early November so they aren't rushed for Christmas
- o Craft night – Ashlee and Becky both said they would be willing to coordinate the first craft night. They will bring ideas to the group in October.

Meeting adjourned at 7:03 pm

Next Meeting: Thursday, October 14th at 6 pm

Minutes submitted by Christy Parker, Co-Treasurer