

## Call to order: President Liz Berns

- The meeting was called to order at 7:01pm
- There were 22 members in attendance
- Minutes from the May 2019 meeting were approved

## Treasurer's Report

- Sarah Hellman took over as treasurer
- Budget is primarily the same as last year
  - Added some income for fundraisers that we have started such as restaurant fundraisers and father/daughter mother/son dances.
- Expenses: a few Fun Fair checks went through and raffle items paid for
- Purchased a refrigerator for the teacher's lounge
- Eagle Scout project- a ga-ga pit for the 4-6 playground
- Donations from backpack night, etc.

## Principal's Report

- Start of the year reading and math assessments
- We still do not have ISASP results from last year. We should start getting the results in late October.
- 3rd grade at museum school this week. Kindergarten is at Safety City.
- We started some exploration of Leader in Me last year and we will continue to explore it this year. If we end up going with Leader in Me, it will be a staff decision and will be combined with character counts.
- Next week is homecoming- we will have dress-up days.
- Picture day is October 3rd.
- We had a family that had a fire in their apartment last week and lost everything, and we are doing some things as a staff to help them out. There will be a gum day this Friday to support this family.

## Teacher Report

- Aaron Hansen thanked PTU for the money provided each year to buy things for the classroom. He also thanked the PTU for purchasing the new risers for the music room.
- He shared what kids are doing in music including kindergarteners doing the chicken dance around the school.
- West Music had a program where they loan instruments to the school with the opportunity for the school to purchase them at a discounted price. The kids really enjoy using the instruments.
- Mr. Hansen has started with chorus. Band and orchestra are also getting started.

## Old Business

- Summer events and fundraisers included Tropical Sno, Runner's Flat, and Texas Roadhouse. PTU also had a picnic for families this summer. The money that is raised is going toward the new playground.

- The PTU sponsored a supply drive and ice cream social at backpack night. Parents brought in items that teachers requested. We plan to continue to do this in future years.
- Teacher hospitality- Candice Warby will continue to run this.
  - New refrigerator for the teacher's lounge and the teacher appreciation breakfast
- Gaga ball pit- teachers and those in attendance signed thank you notes for Liam McRae who built this.

## New Business

- Teacher/Parent partnership- Andrew White and Hannah Mackey created a more user-friendly electronic volunteer form to try to encourage parents and community members to help support our school.
- Student director- Betsy Haht is working on putting this together. A full director will be kept in the office and with PTU. Otherwise, the directory will be done by grade-level. She hopes to have them printed and handed out by October.
- Read-a-thon- Theresa Schmitt and Tiffany Ahrens are heading this up.
  - October 4th through 15th. They will have this time to read and track their minutes as well as gather donations.
  - "A Community of Readers" is the theme. We will have community members come in to read to the kids. It will be similar to last year. However, instead of using the school website, we are going to use PayPal this year. Prizes for students who raise money.
  - Read-in celebration on Saturday, October 19th from 9-10:30am.
  - Contact Theresa or Tiffany to help with this event.
- Spirit wear fundraiser- Rebecca Madoerin.
  - The website has had some glitches. The order ends tonight/tomorrow. The new items are made using higher quality materials. There are some more affordable options as well. These items should be in on October 4th. Volunteers are needed to sort items when they come in.
  - We will have another order in early November. We are thinking of doing a PTU gift wrapping fundraiser at this time as parents prepare for Christmas. It will have some different items than what we have now.
  - We have hats and totes for sale at the PTU meetings. The hats: \$20 / totes: \$25.
- We will be getting a PTU bulletin board at the front entrance above where the Box Tops box is located.
- There is a new Box Top app. You can scan in your receipts to earn money for the school. The app is free and you can link to Cedar Heights. Right now you can cut out the box tops as well as scan. They also run certain promotions where you get double points, etc.
- A sheet was handed out with different ways parents can help support the school such as Hy-Vee receipts, etc.
- Movie nights will now be sponsored by PTU. We will need some volunteers for this.
- We will start doing a few art nights this year.
- School dances will be discussed at the next meeting.
- The book fair will be coming up at conferences in November.
- Fun Fair planning will start soon.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:01pm.