



## 2/18/20 PTU Minutes

### Call to order: President Liz Berns

- The meeting was called to order at 7:04pm
- There were 13 members in attendance
- Minutes from the January 2020 meeting were approved

### Treasurer's Report

- Highlights: teacher grants, PTU t-shirt reimbursements, character counts celebrations, Lego League spirit wear thank you gifts, donations, gambling license for fun fair (2-year license this year).
- Next month-sponsorships for fun fair, movie night updates

### Principal's Report

- Mrs. Brown was a finalist for teacher of the year in the state of Iowa.
- Makerspace challenge- monthly STEM challenge for students. Last month was snow removal using Edison robots. Two of our classrooms were featured for their participation- Miss Mescher's classroom and Mrs. Graf's class.

### Teacher's Report

- Jen Houselog shared about the Girls on the Run program. It will be on Tuesday and Thursday every from 3:45-5. It is a 10-week program that starts next week.
- The program is about empowering girls. They work on things such as building friendships, goal setting, how to be a good student, etc. Girls do a workout.
- All the girls in the program in the Cedar Valley will run a 5K in the spring with a buddy.
- The program does have a max that can sign up- 16. This number has been reached for this year. The program could possibly be expanded to about 20 girls. There is also a possibility of having a fall session in addition to having the spring session.

### Old Business

- The parking lot situation seems to have improved with the signs that have been put out. Thank you Trish Morfitt for the signs!
- Family movie night in January - raised \$73 with popcorn purchases.
  - The next movie night is April 17th- Inside out. This is also the first date for raffle ticket sales.

### New Business

- Bottle refill water fountains- need a volunteer to research the process to apply for grants or to find out the cost for this project. We would like to have a couple of these by the end of the year.
- Mother/Son dance- March 6th. The sign-up opened yesterday for this. You can sign-up online this year. There is a small convenience fee for payment through this method. \$25 per



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couple. An additional \$5 for an extra child. The dance will be 6:30-8:30pm. Hawaiian beach party theme. Looking for 14 volunteers to help the night of the dance. There is a sign-up genius for materials/food items needed for the dance. We will have a professional photographer there taking photos. One photo per couple- an additional \$5 for an additional photo. There will also be a professional DJ. Music suggestions are welcome. The Father/Daughter dance will be on April 3rd. Information on this will come home with daughters soon. The dances are K-6.

- Hospitality- We need a new volunteer for next year. This person could shadow this year so they are ready to take over for next year. This includes organizing meals at conference times and the end of the year teacher gifts.
- Book fair- should get delivered the week before conferences. We are going to do the Follett book fair again. Tiffany will need some volunteers to set up/takedown. We will also need volunteers to sell and possibly help count money. This helps to purchase A LOT of books for our library. Follett has a guarantee on the binding of their books and will replace any book that needs to be.
- Box Tops- next deadline is March 1st. Please remember to get your Box Tops in and also download the app, "Box Tops for Education," as they are switching over to an all-digital way of submitting receipts.
- The sixth-grade party- Saturday, May 9th from 6-8pm at the UNI WRC.
- Fun Fair- Exercise Kindness Inside Out. We are busy getting donations and sponsors for the event. Let PTU know if you have any ideas. We need more volunteers to help with this night- especially with games and prizes.
  - We will need volunteers to help count raffle tickets in the afternoons (after 1pm) for the week of April 20th and April 27th.
  - Fun Fair planning will take place again on March 24th at 6pm before the next PTU meeting.

### Next PTU Meeting will be...

- March 24th at 7pm. Fun Fair planning starting at 6 if you would like to join.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:58pm.