



Linwood Elementary School PTA

Tuesday October 8, 2019 4pm

In Attendance

Board Members : Jenaya Nieman PRESIDENT, Jamie Linder VICE PRESIDENT, Lea Bombard SECRETARY, Missy Benson TREASURER.

Staff: Meg Tredinnick, Annette Schwab, Shelley Guptil, Sarah Henry, Monica O'Rourke, Michelle Ulvin, Sue Mullen, Christina Sparby, Kathy Dow, Judy Marleau, Tessa Abrahamson, Joe Mueller.

Parents: Angie Anondson, Alicia Keeler, Jen Braido

Board Updates

Introductions of attendees. We need 3 more paid PTA members to be valid. See Missy Benson to pay dues. You can sign up on Member Hub or with one of the board members. Went over and approved September minutes.

Treasurer Report

Missy Benson went over Treasurer Report which included deposits in for the planners. Paid out \$225 for girl scouts care, stamps, start up, planners, etc. Went over PTA budget for the year. Went over expenses in a bit of detail as there were many staff in attendance so they know where money is being spent. Missy Benson explained that Booster-A-Thon will coincide with track and field day this year.

Fundraising Ideas

The big need is electronics. Principal Mueller spoke about the need for additional chrome books. When kids get to the middle school level they need to have good grasp of working on the chrome books as their work is done on them for school. There is a lot of sharing and swapping back and forth of the current chrome carts. The goal is to be able to have an inventory enough for 1 chrome book per student for 4th thru 6th grades to start and then eventually have 1 for each student in the school. A chrome cart is \$6500 and includes the chrome books, cart, charging stations in the cart and licensing requirements. A Tefla grant was awarded to our school for \$3500 which is the most the grant offers but it's just a start for us to have enough chrome books. Currently, in order to supply 4th thru 6th graders with chrome books they need to have 2.5 additional carts. Lea Bombard suggested we proceed with voting on this tonight to get a jump on ordering. Motion by Angela Anondson for allocation of PTA funds to get the 6th grade enough chrome books to a 1 book to 1 student ratio. This will be an approximate expense from the PTA of \$3900. Motion 2nd by Alicia Keeler and 3rd by Meg Tredinnick. Joe Muller will proceed with ordering additional chrome carts needed for 4th and 5th grade in the near future when we have had chance to review expenses further with Treasurer. Alicia Keeler asked about getting an LED school sign. We

agreed to pin this discussion for a later date and focus immediately on the electronics for the students.

Kathy Dow and Judy Marleau suggested having "Science with the Scientists" come in for teaching and this is something that will be discussed at later meetings. It was brought up also by Dow and Marleau they would like PTA to fund their continuing education that they have to pay out of pocket as other schools PTA's in the district are sending the staff to some classes paid for with PTA funds. Agreed to discuss in future.

Staff Lounge

Staff would like PTA to keep the lounge stocked with snacks and beverages to be purchased by staff "on your honor". Jenaya Nieman suggested having a box to leave the money and that money will be used to purchase the next round of snacks.

Motioned by Tina Sparby and 2nd by Angie Anondson.

Book Fair

Coming up during conferences. There will be a teacher feature.

Conference food for staff will be provided by the PTA and Jen Braido will be delivering to the staff lounge.

Turkey Bingo

Coming up on November 15th. We are sticking with each classroom/grade responsible for bringing in items to fill the grocery bags. Kindergarten students will decorate the bags again this year.

Luau

First meeting is tonight. The Luau will be held again at Split Rocks on January 24th, 2020. We need suggestions and volunteers. It may be that this year we do adults only for the event and then possibly bring back to kids as well for next year.

Principal's Report

Joe Mueller had nothing further to add besides what he discussed already on the chrome carts.

Open Discussion

Lakeshore Learning \$50 gift card raffle winner was Tina Sparby. Meeting adjourned 4:59pm .

Minutes taken by: Lea Bombard