

# PTO MINUTES

**Tuesday, October 9th, 2018**

**Present:** Michelle Koffel, Jason Fine, Dara Berman-Cheung, Jordan Bain, Amy Burden, Catherine Kennedy, Christine Kane, Tammy Yockey, Karl Kirkpatrick, Paula Gilmour, Kari Rucker, Metta McCoy, Brian Shiniger, Annette Cullman, Kara Rappolt Emily Ness, Sally Geraghty, Lynne DeWalt, Lisa Gerhardt, Libby Dodge, Sarah Foster, Kristen O'Brien

**Handouts:** Meeting Agenda, Bank Statements, Treasurer's Report "Highlights" handout, Sales Tax Exempt Form, Check Reimbursement Form

**Welcome:** Michelle Koffel

- 9/4 minutes approved by Jordan Bain, second - Kerri Rucker

**Principal's Report:** Jason Fine

- Golden Bear pride was awesome, especially the fabulous ending at Wickliffe - they were VERY appreciative of Bears, cookies, lunch, etc.
- Fall Pro coming up - fall pro teaser 10/19, Veterans Day 11/2 - spread the word - 8th grade parents it is a powerful experience
- Officer Green is going to share Jones/Hastings for now, then possibly winter/beg of next year, Officer Josh Luke - will become the "just Jones" officer on duty - will have him to PTO meeting at some point
- Cultural competency - "all means all," just had a meeting at the district/building level. Starting up a student lead cultural competency group as well.
- Remind parents/kids to **Lock up your Bikes!** Borrowing two additional racks from pool this Fall. Riding mower stolen in the middle of the day in Jones parking lot.

**Teachers Report:** Karl Kirpatrick

- Everything going well! "Everyday is a good day at Jones, except some are better than others."

**President's Report:** Michelle Koffel

- Great job to Golden Bear pride chairs - worked tirelessly on this effort.

- Tailgate was a big success - one thing that needs to change is to have **smaller** water bottles (to prevent kids dumping water on each other). Biggest group ever. No DJ this year - maybe again next year?
- Wickliffe was so awesome - Piada delivered lunch, **“gofundme” account set up called the CHRIS COLLAROS FIGHT FUND. Get the word out!**
- Membership - e-mail went out last week with list of current members - spurred 18 new people to join. Almost at our budget goal.
- Spiritwear is sold on First Fridays!
- Cultural Competency Committee will be chaired Catherine Kennedy and Seyla Kramer. A new PTO Position!! More to come on this at a later date.

**Treasurers Report:** Jordan Bain

- Handouts: Bank statements & Treasurer’s Report “Highlights” handout, sales tax exempt form, check reimbursement form
- Remember to use sales tax exempt form when buying things for the PTO.
- Give Jordan and Michelle a couple of days when needing reimbursement checks.
- No refunds for events/fundraisers - look at it as a donation. Add as a disclaimer to receipts sent via e-mail.

**Committee Reports**

**Membership:** Sally Geraghty

- Directory - on-line version will hopefully be launched this weekend.
- “My school anywhere” faculty/student app - use the code Sally sends out to access.

**Volunteers:** Paula Gilmour

- Election Day bake sale and volunteers - need both!

**Golden Bear Pride:** Kara Rappolt & Annette Cullman

- Still delivering limited edition bears - about half done
- Late donation from Martin carpet cleaning after they were “bear’d”
- Two large bears still available

**Communication:** Dara Berman-Cheung

- Give them some time to get things posted and send verbiage!

- Check the website to make sure your announcement is correct and let the know if it needs to be fixed

**Mini-Grants:** Kari Rucker

- \$150 request from 7 West - postcards/postage to send to students families with positive feedback from each teacher - supporting the initiative to touch each child, feel a personal connection with teachers. Motion to approve Jordan Bain, second Dara Berman-Cheung. Maybe mention to 7 East? Mass produce postcards on vista print??
- \$250 request from 7 West - making birdhouses to paint with the elderly at elderly care facilities. Buses covered through service learning grant. Motion to approve Kara Rappolt, second Lynn DeWalt.

**Teacher Appreciation:** Lynne DeWalt

- During parent/teacher conferences - dinner for teachers provided - Piada 3:30 - 8:30 pm.

**Election Day Bakesale:** Kristen O'Brien

- Purple Sage, Nothing bundt cakes - donating lots of items
- Need three tables & coffee
- Need to purchase pre-packaged goods for guaranteed nut free. Last year - child had an allergic reaction.

**6th Grade Parties:** Emily Ness

- November 2nd and last day of school parties
- Fall - Inflatables in gym, DJ in cafe, small waters, renting pool in Spring
- Budget very low this year, will be sending e-mail to 6th grade families from counselor for additional contributions

**7th Grade Party:** Sarah Foster

- Friday, November 30th, Sawmill Lanes - pizza, pop 4 - 6:30 pm.
- Securing buses - request through Shannon Rook - need adult coverage for buses. Need parents to secure doors and create "parent wall" b/t party and the rest of the lanes.

Motion to adjourn - first, Jordan Bain, second - Michelle Koffel

Have a great week! Next mtg on 11/14.

Notes typed by Amy Burden

