

PTO Meeting 8/28/19

Katie called meeting to order 3:07

Katie made a motion to approve the last meeting's minutes (June). All in favor.

Co- president is still an open position, Katrina Cole willing to step into role. Katie nominate Katrina into the position of Co-president. Kim to second. All in favor.

Introductions of attendees around table

Principal's report - Sheila:

Staff is back and have been in meetings all week.

New assistant secretary, Sharlee Oeder - today is her 1st day.

Molly Burnet is going to be the library assistant this year.

The district is looking at class size very closely. There still may be changes in classes, which is a normal process. All teachers have been allocated across the district, so there are not any in the bank. There are some schools in the district that have 35 or more Kinders per class, teachers may be allocated to these schools.

There are new health standards this year. Some parents will want to learn more about what is going to be taught, there is info in these health standards about gender identity. Sheila will send a letter the 1st week of school out to parents, this is a statewide curriculum. If a parent wants to view the materials they have to ask Sheila to see and she will make time for the parent to view. Then a parent can opt out and other lessons will be used for that student.

BizTown was asked by Sheila to cut down the curriculum to 2 days to make it so that it works better for teachers to cover all the material for the field trip, they said no. 4th grader teachers have said that it works more into their curriculums so Sheila was thinking of 4th and 5th grade field trips to go this year and then continue as a 4th grade field trip in the future. The school district said they will not pay for busses to BizTown so we will need to pay to charter, at \$800 a bus, two busses per grade year. Field trip funds is a line item but we can't use it all for two grades. Sheila is thinking that this is cost prohibited and so new field trip ideas will be used this year. 5th grade to Tillamook Forestry Center. 4th grade to do normal field trip. BSD doesn't allow any elementary overnight trip.

Sheila's newsletter goes out tomorrow. PTO coffee is going to change dated, One coffee on 1st day of school, one coffee on the 1st Monday so all kinder parents can come.

Writing share will happen once per grade level. This may be a good place for a room parent to help, per teacher's discretion.

Music programs will happen this year. 1st and 2nd grades will have a program, and 4th and 5th grades will have a program. Kinder and 3rds do not do a program this year. Performances in Fall and Spring. Unsure if there will be choir this year. Teachers are contracted to attend 3 evening activities a year. They will be at Curriculum night, STEAM night and Choir Performances.

Treasurer's Report - Audra

\$39000 is the budget we have approved for the year, and we hope to make at Jog-a-thon. Previous funds approved were for Jenea to make some signs to promote PTO meetings for \$50. Jenea and Angie are updating the staff room per Sheila's request, \$250 approved to help with that. Also approved 2 \$15, \$20, and \$25 gift cards for Sheila to hand out to teachers for the On The Move participation. We have a RFF requesting \$1000 for books for all Kindergarten teachers for books for their A&B level readers, these are needed at the beginning of the year. School Support Fund right now has a little over \$11000. The question is how are we allocating the funds? Sheila moves that we support the Kindergarten teachers request with the stipulation that we discuss in the future how these funds are to be allocated. Audra seconds. Majority approves. One Opposed. Motion passes. Board to discuss at their next meeting on what to do with the School Support Funds. Sheila took a 15% budget cut this year. Most of the funds cut support how things are run. Parent asks what the budget cuts were... Sheila responds saying supplies, books, Professional Development hours. Possible PD hours could be requested to meet with team and planning by teachers to the Board. Colleen from ALCS found a company that contracts with BSD to install swigs for students who do not have the upper trunk strength to sit in a regular swing. The swing is \$780 and can be installed into the current swing structure. The total for the chair will be \$895 with freight. Can be installed for free by BSD facilities. Jo makes a request to allocate \$895 for the chair, Kim 2nds. All approves.

Volunteer Coordinator - Jenea

Teacher 1st day back breakfast was a success

Back to school coffee will be held out front of the school to be more welcoming. Coffee and donuts will be served.

Looking into creating a weekly volunteering newsletter to look ahead and see what the upcoming needs are.

Sheila will add to her newsletter info/link on how parents can sign up/in for the PTA emails.

Back to school picnic -emails have been sent out to committee leads to see if they want tables to recruit volunteers. Dominique did say if there were no other volunteers to Green Team she will lead.

Background checks - just a reminder to get it done. There will be chrome books on Friday morning at the supply drop off, curriculum night and back to school picnic for people to use for sign ups

Jog-a-thon - Jenea

Goal this year is going to be monetary for the principal activity (it may be participation or other ideas in the future). \$45000 is the goal for this year. We raised more than that last year. If the students hit the goal then they will get to duct tape Sheila to the wall. \$4500 in sponsorships for far, T-shirts are paid for. Need sponsorship money by the end of next week. Kick off is September 13th. Jog-a-thon is Oct 4th. There most likely will be a work party at the rec center to make packets, etc. We can accept donations for prizes up to the last minute.

Live streaming - Mya

We are looking into live streaming future PTO meetings based on feedback from the parent survey from last year. We are looking at different options, including just audio streaming as many people are not comfortable being videotaped. We are trying to find ways that make sense as sustainable options for years to come. Call has been put out to the community to see if anyone has background in live streaming.

Jo recently learned about Tech Soup - which is tech services for nonprofits. They may have information or be helpful as we try to learn about the best way to do this going forward. Zoom is audio only and free for up to 100 attendees, but limited to a 40 minute meeting. We can try Zoom next month to see.

Spirit Week

We are going to introduce this year Spirit Week leading up to Jog - a -thon to get them excited. Opening up to community and teachers to give ideas on what the spirit days should be. Will decide on ideas next meeting.

Box tops - Mya

Who is running it this year? Jenea to look into now. Box tops now has an app that makes it so you can digitally scan your shopping receipt and it automatically calculates your box tops, no more need to clip and send in. Kim to blast the info out to the community

Newsletter - Katie

We will be putting together a digital and in print monthly newsletter and send the newsletter home in backpacks. It will include a Presidents Corner, each PTO position has the possibility to put something into the letter. If anyone has anything for the first letter it needs to be sent to Kim by Saturday to.

September 18th there is a 7pm PTO meeting, Sheila will have a meeting at 6pm before the PTO meeting to discuss two items. One, Student Success did pass but the government is requesting that decisions/information is needed from the community on how some of the money should be budgeted for the first 30 minutes. The second 30 minutes will be used for what is going on with the new Health Curriculum and information for parents.

Taproot foundation is an Oregon organization that matches non profits and pro bono services. Our PTO qualifies as a non profit, so we if we have something that we are looking for resource help on we can submit a proposal and they can try to match us with a pro bono service. Jo to send out a link with information.

4:31 Katie moves to adjourn the meeting. Kim seconds.

Attendees:

Mya Erickson

Lindsey Burnham

Sheila Baumgardner
Jenea Phillips
Kim Harris
Audra Gilman
Katie Rupp
Katrina Cole
Kayla Hutchins
Jo Salicos - Murphy
Colleen Seitz
Heather Wadia