**Little River PTO Meeting**

**August 14, 2023**

**6:00pm**

Attendees: Maren Schreiber, Christina Randall, Mansi Gowin, Angelique Jeter, Easley Schack, Marcella Harris, Lesley Watson, Julie Kent, Seronda Robinson, Martha Camacho, Kayley Talbert, Cory Hogans, Erica McRae, Erin Repp, Amanda Meglemre, Kim Perry

1. Welcome: Introduction of 2023-2024 Board
2. Draft Budget:
3. Instructional Expenses: $9,246.50.
* Increased everyone by 30%.
* Took out room parent funds and added to teacher’s budget. Room parents can still request parents to donate.
* We now have two kindergartens and two third grades.
1. Special Expenses: $4,900.00;
* Field trips: K-5 $300/each grade.
* Middle School $300 total
* 28 middle schoolers this year.
1. PTO Program Expenses: $2,950
* Remove grade parent allocations, but add more funds to teachers.
* Remove leadership grants until teacher sponsor is found and resume possibly next year.
1. Administrative Expenses: $1,618
* PTO Branding – car magnet given out for each membership
* Membership forms will be given out at Open House.

**Total Budget: $18,714.50 ($20,348 last year’s budget)**

1. Revenue $18,714.50
2. Amazon Smiles is discontinued.
3. Art fundraiser
* Will partner with Ms. Nicholson, who will work with children to make their own art work and sell ($1,500 is usually what schools make).
1. Box Tops and Shopper Loyalty
* Maren will send out notice to parents to relink cards with Harris Teeter.
1. Dewey’s Sugar Cakes (NEW)
* Fundraiser where you can buy Moravian sugar cakes and cookies for $10 each. PTO will get $5 for each box.
* Suggestion: Buy some to sell at Glow Dance and vendor show near holidays.
1. Family Night
* 9/18: Hog Heaven
* 10/4: Pomodoro’s
* 11/8: Pomodoro’s
* 1/22: Hog Heaven
* 4/22-4/25: Elmo’s Diner
1. Glow Dance
* This year, we will buy extra items since they sold so well.
* Suggested to have dance sometime between November and December and do Glow snowflakes.
* May possibly do another dance closer to the end of the school year.
1. GoPlaySave
* Projected revenue decreased to $1,000.
* Will only offer electronic books this year.
1. Penny Wars
* Decreased projected revenue to $500.
1. Priority Car Line Pass Raffle
* Split up to morning pass and afternoon pass.
* Will also be included in silent auction.
1. PTO membership
* Projected revenue increased to $650 (last year $625).
1. Silent Auction
* Decreased to $3,871.50
* Teacher experience and car line pass will be included.
1. Spirit Wear
* $443.00
* Recommend cutting ties with Big Frog. Looking at other vendors to do spirit wear.
* Still have some socks and water bottles for sale.

1. Vendor Show – Little Shops
* Will be in December.
* $35 for space. If you have folding tables, vendors will buy for $10.
1. Suggestion: Burn Boot Camp
* Now holding spirit night.
* Will give $5 to PTO for each person who comes.
* Suggestion: Do this at beginning of year when people are making new year’s resolutions.
1. Received Swank License and will add movie night to fundraiser. If not needed for fundraiser, can do for a club such as chorus and let them have 100% of proceeds.
2. Erin will reach out to Palace Point to inquire about skate night.
3. **Committees/Chair:**
4. Art Fundraiser: Easley
5. Book Fair: Maren
6. **Box Tops/Shopper Loyalty: Chair needed**
7. Dewey’s: Easley
8. Family Nights: Lesley
9. Glow Dance: Maren
10. GoPlaySave: Seronda
11. Hospitality: Martha (This will be broken down into smaller categories).
12. **Penny Wars: Chair needed**
13. **Priority Car Raffle: Chair needed**
14. **PTO Membership: Chair needed**
15. Science Night: Julie
16. Silent Auction: Mansi
17. **Spirit Wear: Chair needed**
18. **Vendor Show: Chair needed**
19. **Crayons2Calculators: Chair needed**
20. **Grand Friends Tea: Chair needed**
21. Upcoming Events:
22. 8/20: DPS Fest 3:00pm
23. 8/23: Not Just Paper Little River teacher shipping day 9:00am – 6:00pm
24. 8/24: Open House (PTO welcome kits will be given out)
25. 8/27 tentatively: Popsicles on the Playground Pre-K-2nd and new families;
	1. Give out books from Book Harvest.
	2. Maren will check with Kindergarten teachers and confirm date.
	3. May consider after school starts.
26. 8/28: First Day of School
27. 9/11: PTO Meeting 6pm
28. 9/18: Dine Out at Hog Heaven
29. PTO meetings will be first Monday of each month.
30. Updates on Purchases From Extra Funds:
31. Purchased 15 new walkie-talkies and 10 new batteries.
32. Printers will be ordered.
33. Sound system for Glow Dance.
34. Another sound system is being ordered.
35. Swank license.
36. Received reimbursement check from insurance and will use to replace items from water damage.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30pm.

Submitted by Lesley Watson