**Little River K-8 School**

**June PTO Meeting**

**Monday, June 5, 2023**

**Attendees: Julie Kent, Maren Schreiber, Easley Schack, Lesley Watson, Christina Randall, Martha Camacho, Angelique Jeter, Erin Repp, Terry Kusz, Guadalupe Jairam, Dawn Moose, Marcella Harris, Cory Hogans, Mansi Gowin, Stephanie Robinette, Jennifer Barton**

1. **Welcome**
2. **Committee and Event Updates**
3. Dine Out Nights

* Exceeded Dine Out goal!
  + Zaxby’s 9/19: $445.28
  + Zaxby’s 10/6: $419.42
  + Hog Heaven 11/1: $200
  + Alpaca 12/6: $43.65
  + Zaxby’s 12/13: $ -
  + Hog Heaven 1/17: $180
  + Elmo’s 2/13 – 2/16: $855.40
  + Tutti Frutti: 3/24: $343.72
  + Skrimp Shack 4/11: $74.00
  + Pomodoro – 5/9: $ -
* Upcoming Dine Out Events:
  + June TBD: Possibly Palace Pointe
  + Will have Skrimp Shack on 7/11
  + Will reach out to Tutti Frutti to see if can do Dine Out Night on 6/9. Will do FB event to share.
  + August TBD: Possibly Palace Pointe
  + Request for Elmos’s for next year has been submitted.

1. Teacher Appreciation Week:

* Gave out lots of gifts to teachers (tote bags, lip balms, key chains)
* Kids did designs on sidewalk
* Fruit bar, pastry breakfast, went around with carts on Thursday with rainbow colors, lunch provided.
* Recommendation to set up somewhere else in building with larger space for next year. Possibly use lounge.
* Ms. Kusz had most of the kids write messages on “bricks” for yellow brick road that was taped to walls in the hallway.
* Raffled off gift cards to teachers, and they loved it.

1. Glow Dance:

* Turned out great; kids had a really good time.
* Possibly next year do a middle school event only and have separate dance for elementary. Appeared that most middle schoolers were dropped off without a guardian.
* Made several hundred dollars from concessions and glow items.

1. Spirit Wear:

* Still have Spirit Wear available

1. Volunteers Needed for next year

* Committee interests to continue into 2023-2024 school year
* GoPlaySave: 1-2 volunteers
* Silent Auction: 2-3 volunteers
* Little Shops at Little River: 1-2 volunteers
* Science Night: 1-2 volunteers (Julie Kent will help with Science Night)
* Financial Audit: 5-6 volunteers to go over all money received and all money spent and ensure no discrepancies. Outgoing and incoming Treasurers can be present but cannot participate in audit.
* Audit needs to take place no earlier than 7/1/2023. Sign up before leaving if interested.
* Budget

1. Financial Update:

* Expected Revenue: $20,348; Actual Revenue $22,427.97
* Expected expenses: $20,348; Actual Expenses: 15,893.02
* Flower Power did not get a lot of orders, but we did make $293
* Expenses: Field trip funds; used $1,000. Four of the grades did not use their allotted funds.
* Classroom reimbursements: $6,609.36; teachers have been using money, which is good.
* Purchased checks $250
* Some of items that were damaged in flood was repurchased.
* Program expenses is under budget.
* Purchased flower box and gift for Julie.
* Expenses came in under budget.
* Leadership grant will most likely be removed from budget because we need a teacher volunteer to run that. Four projects at $300/each. Request to discuss this before removing from budget.

1. **Proposals for Funding/special Financial Considerations:**

Exceeded revenue goal, so asked teachers and staff members to bring proposals for projects that meet requirements of special funding. On 7/29/2022 account balance: $12,650

1. Ms. Kusz Proposal: Movie License

* Previously had license and PTO put on family night with popcorn.
* License will help that will cover all movies, but DPS policy only allows G rated movies in elementary school. Anything above G rating has to have parent signatures.
* SWANK: $550/yr. for any movies to be shown.
* Will also help teachers who want to show movies in the classroom.
* Need to be sure that we are following DPS policies.
* PTO can put on events, but cannot charge for movie. Can sell concessions or charge for child care.
* Per Dr. Hogans, license would be used for PTO purposes as opposed to using during school day.
* Suggestion to do drive-in move in school parking lot.
* Suggestion to purchase movie screen. School already has projectors that can be used.
* Suggestion to show movie during PTO meeting for children to get more attendance to meetings.

1. Ms. J: Walkie Talkie Radios

* Requesting 12 radios for administration and front office. Including kindergarten IAs and AU.
* Current ones are unreliable in case of emergency.
* Hard to communicate within building without proper types of radios.
* Teachers having radios have made huge improvement for communicating throughout school.
* Dr. Hogans currently does not have a radio and is major concern for school.
* Would suggest AU classes have two radios each to communicate with each other when one is out of the classroom.

1. Ms. McRae:

* Bulletin Board Paper
  + Best deal to get through DPS. $9-$10/roll. Currently closed for this school year, but can get it at beginning of next school year.
  + Requesting white, light blue, light green, dark green.
* Lamination film: $145 for two rolls.
  + Instead of 3 mills, requesting 5. Estimate that use 3 rolls per year.
* Color printers
  + Per grade level or per hall so teachers can print out things in color.
  + Some teachers have said it will be nice to have a printer on their hall.
* Suggestion: School currently has color printers that can only be used with special permission. Can PTO purchase ink instead of printer?
* Ms. Moose will find out cost of ink cartridges and estimated number of copies per cartridge.

1. **New Business**

None

1. **Q&A with Dr. Hogans:**
2. Updates

* EOGs are completed. Scores will be available on Parent Portal closer to the end of the week.
* Last day of school is 6/9/2023. School will dismiss at 12:15.
* Fifth and eighth grade promotion ceremonies are on Thursday.

1. Questions:

* With several teachers and staff leaving this year, can we get a list of names to thank you gifts?
* Send email to Dr. Hogans, and he will send list. The required work day for teachers is 6/12. Optional work day is 6/13, so Dr. Hogans suggests that this happens as soon as possible.
* On 6/12, Italian Ice truck will come to school for the teachers.

1. Recognition of Julie from current PTO Board

* Presented Julie with gift from current PTO and thanked her for all of her service and dedication to Little River School over the years.

Meeting adjourned at 7:56pm

Submitted by Lesley Watson