

PTO Meeting Minutes: September 4, 2018

Attendees: Kristie Mattson, Sylvia Shannon, Kim Bauer, Bhumika Nayak, Colleen Bakker, Tabitha Lightfoot, Ed Rogers, Tara Dirks, Ben Young, Sarah Young, Michelle Bovinet, Erica Taylor, Bird Gengler, Kari Whitlow, Sarah Oldag, Garrett Blust, Jami Demuth, Christina Hunt, Kusal Dutta, Carrie Bohn, Morgan Yorker, Amy Robertson, Dawn Wonick, Michelle Langston

Meeting called to order by Colleen Bakker.

May PTO meeting minutes approved.

Sarah Oldag from the Mississippi Valley Regional Blood Center shared information on Westfield's upcoming Blood Drive, Thursday, October 18th from 4-7pm in the Multi-Purpose Room. Childcare will be provided for blood donors. A sign-up sheet was passed around for volunteer blood donors.

Principal's Report:

Westfield's student capacity is 600, we have 557 students enrolled. Westfield hired three new teachers this school year as well as a new nurse and instructional coach.

Sondra Nelson and Bob Anderson, school board members, discussed the September 11th Bond Vote and the district's 5-year plan with immediate need for two new 5 & 6 grade buildings to alleviate overcrowding. They mentioned that if the bond vote does not pass, the district will have to purchase portable classrooms or trailers at a significant cost. Satellite voting will be available at the September 7th Linn Mar football game.

Back 2 School Bash Committee:

The Committee reported that they are close to last year's budget and will have inflatables, Kona Ice, Paul Revere's pizza, face painting and games. This year there will be a new addition to games-a duck pond. A volunteer sign-up went out to the PTO email list and will go out to all parents shortly. Volunteers are need to run games and sit in the dunk tank. The Committee urged individuals to sign up as volunteers earlier rather than later, so they do not have to cancel games due to lack of volunteers.

Officer's Report:

Income Summary for July/August

Write One for Westfield \$4,205 collected and deposited

EPI Refund: \$304.89

Amazon Smiles \$19.06 (I mistyped this number on the handout)

Kernels Night \$200

Expense summary for July/ August

Classroom funds: \$504.69/\$5,850

Open House : \$41.78/ \$175 (does not include ice cream bill)

Software PTO Manager: \$129/\$129

Raz Kids: \$1,709.15/\$1,700

Old Business-Open House

Open House was well attended. 3 extra tubs of ice cream were purchased, and only ran out at 6pm.

New Business

Homecoming Parade is September 27th. Come walk with Westfield in the parade!

Stride for Pride is Friday, September 28th. A volunteer sign-up will go out shortly.

Box Tops and HyVee receipts will be collected this year. HyVee receipts with dates of April 1st, 2018 or later can be submitted. Also, electronic receipts can be submitted by email (make sure to indicate your child's teacher and put a total at the top).

Several positions on the Executive Team will be open next year so interested individuals are encouraged to volunteer this year so they can share responsibilities with the outgoing officer before taking over fully next year.

Meeting Adjourned.