

PTO Meeting Minutes: March 3, 2020

Attendees:

Ed Rogers, Heidi Hora, Jami Demuth, Hollie Trenary, Morgan Yarker, Bird Gengler, Laura Montgomery, Kim Albers, Helen Royer, Tabitha Lightfoot, Michelle Langston, Kristie Mattson, Dawn Wonick, Damon Knowing

Meeting called to order by Hollie Trenary.

Introductions:

Bob Read gave a presentation on the district's technology plan, 1:1 devices, and use of technology in the classroom.

January PTO meeting minutes approved.

Motion to approve by Heidi Hora, seconded by Tabitha Lightfoot.

Principal's Report:

Shout out to the PTO for providing funds for the roller-skating unit. PTO Fun Night had a great turnout and fun was had by all attendees. Parent-teacher conferences on March 5th and March 11th. 2nd grade students will be taking a field trip to the Iowa Children's Museum. Spring Break is March 16-20th. The Linn Mar District has hired CJ McDonald as principal of Echo Hill Elementary for the 2020-2021 school year and Lori Manley as principal of Linn Grove Elementary. 3rd through 5th grade students will be taking the ISASP test on laptops this year during March 30th-April 10th.

Old Business:

Rough Rider Night was well attended, and the Westfield Chorus gave a great performance. Family Fun Night which included pancakes and bingo had a great turnout. The addition of a white board was helpful for recording bingo numbers and everything went very smoothly that night.

Officer's Report:

Write One for Westfield Campaign update: we are roughly \$355 short of our goal but are estimating with matching funds still to come in that we will receive an additional \$2,000 and will have surpassed our goal this year!

Treasurer's Report:

The PTO will provide additional time for teachers to turn in receipts for teacher funds as there are several teachers that have not used their funds. Ed will reach out to these teachers to let them know they can still submit receipts. We were over budget for the skate rentals this year. Next year's budget will need to allow for the increase in the skate rentals. Next year it will be \$7 per student. Also, it was decided to eliminate the Open House budget as no funds were used last year.

Committee Chair Update:

We will be checking with Committee Chairs to see who is planning to continue in their role next year so we have a good idea how many Committee Chair volunteers will be needed next year. Allison Parr has volunteered to be the Write One for Westfield Chairperson.

New Business:

Westfield Super Skate Night was held on March 2nd with a huge turnout. There were 150 skaters. We will schedule next year's Skate Night next fall. Admission is \$8 per skater.

Spring Conference meal-Judy Stoffel has everything coordinated for Thursday night. Beltone will donate a \$250 Visa gift card. Thank you Beltone!

The Sock Hop will be April 3rd and planning for the event is underway.

Westfield Night at the Kernels is April 30th. The Westfield Chorus will sing the National Anthem. 650 copies of the flyer will be delivered to Westfield. Parents can sign up online or using the form on the flyer. The paper deadline is April 16th. If 200 tickets are sold, Westfield will receive \$200 back from the Kernels. Kristie Mattson will send out a sign-up genius so parents can sign their child up for activities.

March 15th is the deadline to submit 4th and 5th grade student photos for the yearbook. A reminder email will be sent out to purchase yearbooks in the newsletter.

During the first week of April there will be a Hy-Vee receipt collection. Please be sure to tally your receipts before sending them in with your student. The class with the most dollars of receipts will receive a class prize.

There will be no Fit and Fun Club (formerly Running Club) this year due to the lateness in the year getting it organized.

PTO Board Positions/Committee Chairs for 2020-2021

Volunteers are needed for the following board positions: President, Vice President and Secretary. This year's Co-Presidents plan to set aside time to talk with parents about the vacant positions and the volunteer commitment of each position. During the April PTO meeting, elections will be held. Please keep PTO going strong next year by volunteering for a board position!

The next PTO meeting will be held in the Westfield media center on **April 7th at 7pm**. All are welcome to attend.

Meeting Adjourned.