

Call to order: 6:39

Attendees - 17

Board Members in Attendance:

Megan Pugh, Jamie Church, Ashley Jester, Emily Dunn, Becky Massey, and Jessi Janson

Members in Attendance:

Amy Szaraz, Cecile Rock, Zach Mercer, Stacy Sucarski, Cheryl Greenough, DeAnna Stephenson, Atit Thakor, Sarah Camp, Sadhana Mishra, Nivean Farha, Dana Simpson

- I. **Meet & Greet**
- II. **Approval of May 2019 Minutes**
- III. **Treasurer's Report**

Bank Balance as of 9/21/2019: \$42,937.29

Band Line Item: -\$1,665.63

Total Available: \$40,599.11

2019-20 Fundraising Estimate to be Earned: \$25,350.00

2018-19 Gifting Estimate Balance to be Spent: -\$49,741.13

2018-19 Projected Ending Balance for 2018-19: \$16,207.98

Required Surplus: -\$10,000

Funding Requests Approved by PTO Board:

Mystery Science for Jennifer Young: \$400

Chromebook cart for Zach Mercer: \$450

Wobble Stools for Cheryl Greenough: \$270

- IV. **Funding Requests**

- a. **Jennifer Young requesting \$400 for Mystery Science curriculum to benefit whole school.**

Discussion: This covers the whole school rather than one teacher for a full year. We will need to revisit funding again next year. This could provide more curriculum for the year and possibly be used as a supplement for other teachers who may not be familiar with it. Recommended to try it for a year and see how it goes.

Yes 13 No 1 **PASSED**

- b. **Zach Mercer requesting \$450 for a Chromebook cart.**

Discussion: There are 19 Chromebooks in the classroom. Purchased alternative off Amazon and it did not work. With State ELA testing coming up, books need to be transported throughout the school. 6th and 7th grade have carts for 16-20 Chromebooks. The requested cart holds 24 and the cart would be shared for school testing.

Yes 13 No 1 **PASSED**

- c. **Cheryl K. Greenough requesting \$270.00 for 6 18" Wobble Stools to benefit all K-8th grade readers.**

Discussion: Requesting 6 for larger group of students. Currently, students take turns using the wobble seats. Stools have a rubber-base which does not allow for spinning. Helps students stay focused for children with learning disabilities. Order from Amazon through Megan for tax-exempt to lower the cost.

Yes 13 No 1 **PASSED**

- d. **20th Anniversary committee requesting to use PTO Account for 20th Anniversary Sales.**

Discussion: PTO account would have a separate line item for this and would not impact funds.

Yes 14 No 0 **PASSED**

V. Topics & Updates

- a. **Fun Run Update:** Overall, students enjoyed the event. Open one more week for funds. Goal was 15,000; raised currently is \$18,600. Thinking about revamping the activities for next year. Open to ideas to make it very fun and enticing. Suggestions: Run through bubbles, squirt-gun, tire obstacle course, add the hill into the race.
- b. **Trunk or Treat:** Oct. 18 at 5-9 PM. Jamie will be sending out fliers starting next week. Volunteers are needed for marking out parking spots, concessions, etc. There will be a movie following the event in the gym. Contest for best decorated car, winner will receive a gift card.
- c. **Holiday Shop – New Event!** This event will allow students to shop for gifts during school hours. Items are priced at \$0.25 cents to \$7.00. Special wrapping bags will be provided for students to keep their gifts a secret when coming home. Penguin patch tickets allow for those who don't have money to spend in the store. This event is mainly to give back but may bring in a little funding money as well. Start thinking of ideas for decorating. Information packet coming out the beginning of October. Teachers will have to split their class to go in and shop. Potentially change the name to "Gift Shop."
- d. **Knights of Nonsense:** Planning well underway and set for January 31, 2020.
- e. **PTO Auction:** March 6, at Weber's in Ann Arbor. Tickets are \$30 a person. This will be a strolling dinner with dessert and no assigned seating. They are providing centerpieces and flowers for free. We are looking into other options to bid on (travel, airline, etc.). Grade baskets will stay themed. 7th and 8th grade basket will be "easier" to account for the trips planned. Gifts can be written off as tax-exempt.

VI. Open Floor

Question posed to consider having a PTO Facebook page for parents to stay connected. Megan to talk to Ms. Bondy about the limitations around this.

VII. Adjournment: 7:43 PM