

Northpoint Elementary PTO – November 13, 2017 Meeting Minutes

Welcome

by Andy Kuempel (PTO co-president) at 6:35 in Media Center. PTO Meeting Agenda Handout available.

Introductions

Principal Judi Kahoun, Teacher liaison Tammy Saladis, PTO board members, and approximately 8 other parents.

Presentations

Principal Judi Kahoun

- Thanks for the fall party and Andrea/Maggie for planning. A huge success!
- Coffee with Principal, like last year – work with Heidi to schedule to host. No agenda, just talking.
- Follow teachers, Mrs. Kahoun and Northpoint on social media!
 - <https://twitter.com/judikahoun>
 - https://twitter.com/slp_schools/lists/northpoint-elementary
 - #slppantherproud and #NPPride
 - Follow Northpoint and Northpoint PTO on Facebook!
 - Check if your student's teacher has Twitter and/or Instagram!
- Also, every Wednesday Mrs. Kahoun does a Flipgrid, a short video communicating school news/info. Check it out!
 - <https://flipgrid.com/5255e1>
- Don't hesitate to call or email with any concerns.
- **Learner profiles**, part of Personalized Learning.

A design groups has been working to develop a formal profile for every student and are ready to roll it out to teachers between now and end of year. Profiles include how does a student learn best, what motivates and what doesn't, how to show /demonstrate what is learned, and how not, dreams and aspirations, things outside of school that are important, interests, passions, and talents. All information will be learned from or with the child. By beginning of Trimester Three every child will have a profile, even if not complete.

Next will be a **learner map**, including goal setting. It is already happening to some degree, but now it will be more formally introduced in the 2018-2018 school year. It will follow them grade to grade and school to school. Parents will be a part of it as well.

Tammy Saladis – Teacher Liaison

- Related to learner profiles, teachers have once a week meetings (PLC) to talk about their students' needs and personalized learning. Also, they have ½ day extended meetings every 4-6 weeks.

- Thank you for conference meals – pasta bar and snacks were a huge hit! The book fair and book fair preview days were so popular with kids! Chinese acrobat show was also popular and engaging!

PTO Business

- Minutes passed around from last meeting. Minutes to be approved separately to help streamline meetings from now on.
- Thank you cards and gift cards to fall party co-chairs, book fair, and conference meals volunteers.
- **Need more volunteers!** Please volunteer when you can and spread the word, so our fun events can continue so successfully! <https://bit.ly/2017-18npvolunteers>
- Possibility to have an open gym during PTO meetings, so perhaps more parents can come and kids have fun during the meeting.
- Jenny DePoint (PTO Treasurer) – budget handout
No major changes. Updates – fall party under budget and minor volunteer appreciation adjustments. \$700 more came in from fun run - \$14,329 raised from fun run!!

Upcoming:

- Winter movie night – free! January 26.
- No meeting in December – see you **January 8** for the next meeting!
- Does anyone have ideas for presentations at future PTO meetings? Please share if you do! Opportunity to learn from teachers, district staff, etc. on a variety of topics!

Adjourned at 7:10pm.

Minutes submitted by Allie Owen, co-secretary.
Minutes reviewed by Andy Kuempel and Kim Porter.