

Red Pine PTO

Meeting Minutes

January 9, 2020 6:30-8:00 pm

Present: Kerry Lehr, Amy Bailey, Jami Willander, Allie Helgren, Drew Goeldner, Mark Moret, Peg Gust, Dee Goers, Bonnie Rindahl, Mary Arneson, Amy Kishel

Next meeting: February 6, 2020 at 6:30 pm Red Pine Media Center

1. Welcome,

a) Introductions

- PTO Members: Kerry Lehr, Amy Bailey, Jami Willander, and Allie Helgren

2. School Reports

a) Principal/Site Council Reports (Drew Goeldner)

- Site Council Update: No updates, committees haven't met so no new news to report.
- Music Program t-shirts will not be covered by the PTO for this school year, we may re-visit this for 2020-2021. Will need to discuss early as the first program is in November.
- All School Field Trip 1/16/2020. Will include unlimited arcade card (no ticket rewards), 25 year themed Bingo, and bowling. 12 busses will transport all school to Bowlero.
- Monday 1/13 School Board will receive recommendation of new staffing ratios, more information will be available at the February 6 PTO meeting. There is also a proposal for each elementary school to have another .5 school social worker or school psychologist, this will also be reviewed by the School Board.
- There will be an addition of a text feature to the school phone call and email notifications, you must approve yourself to add in. More information will be shared when this is made available.
- A Red Pine family had a house fire over winter break. **Drew** is working to see if there is anything the PTO or school can share to assist the family.

b) Teacher Reports

- No update

3. Committee Updates

- Box tops, **Kerry** needs to contact Shannon.

- Art Adventure met and is organized to get started.
- Boosterthon – will likely continue with the package we have used the past 2 years. Awaiting contract for 2020-2021.

4. Secretary's Report (Allie Helgren)

a) December 2019 minutes approved and submitted December 13th. Now available on the school website.

5. Treasurer's Report (Jami Willander)

- Cash Balance of \$42,988 as of 1/4/2020.
- ADD: Class party money and Corporate Donations
- LESS: Boosterthon percentage, Boosterthon Tshirts, Winter holiday party projects and treats, Gr2 SAN funded supplies, Families in Need, Harvest Party projects and treats, Gr 1 and 4 Storyworks, Gr2 Grandparents Day supplies, GT/YS funding, Music Program specialist gifts, State tax filing fee and postage, Bank fees.
- Projected Ending Cash Balance \$23,335 including special designations.

(Special Designations: account has a minimum balance requirement of \$5000. \$4700 for Gary Anger Scholarship).

- Funding Proposal: Chromebooks, Bowlero all school field trip, Grade level requests submitted by staff (white boards, guided reading books, math folders, Bare books for writing, Book club books etc.). All Approve.

6. Open Forum/New Business

a) Co-curricular ok to house money in PTO accounts when fundraising. This has been done in the past, allows Destination Imagination, Lego League etc. to fundraise if needed and a place for that money to be kept.

b) Is it possible to use Venmo, Paypal, or Fee Pay for field trips/class party money etc. in the future? **Drew** to talk to schools that are currently using this, believes a few elementary schools in the district are.

c) Plan for information on Spring Arts Night at the next meeting.