

PTO MINUTES for Pine Tree Elementary School

Tuesday August 11, 2020

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1. Overview: Ruby, PTO President
2. Financials: April, PTO Treasurer
3. Updates
4. Board Positions Open & Changing
5. Stay up to date: Mrs. Mize, Pine Tree Principal

Overview

-Already this year, PTO has purchased basket with outdoor toys for each class

-New this year, teacher grants, which are up to \$200/teacher, can be used for classroom supplies. No teacher grants have been presented to PTO yet this year.

-Helping Hands—at this time, since no volunteers are allowed in the school, we are pausing on this program which helps teachers get things done. Hoping to resume later in the year if possible

-PTO typically hosts 2 family events. The fall one will be postponed. Hoping to bring these back in the spring

-Not doing Walkathon this year (our biggest fundraiser for PTO)

-Spirit Nights at restaurants currently not allowed. This is true for all Avon Elementary schools in consideration for families' financial situations due to Covid 19. Principals will re-evaluate this rule in winter.

Financials

-Past savings in PTO will carry us through this year. Proposed budget: \$10, 774

-Discussed current & expected expenditures and budget. Field trip costs reduced, others increased

-For all parents, download the Box Top App. Specific information on how to do this should be going home with each student

-4th grade party still happening in some capacity

-Question presented by parent: can part of budget go towards simplifying online learning with "One Click" technology, for example. Mrs. Mize explained that all technology aspects are district-wide. She can present the concern, but has no ability to make those changes herself.

Updates

- Blacktop activities will be painted on by the township maintenance department
- Red Pine Tree shirts for new families and new staff will be ordered after Labor Day

Open Positions

- Secretary
- Fundraising chair/co-chair
- Any positions, including president, are open to a co-chair position.

*Zoom meeting was limited to 30 minutes and cut off before officially closing out meeting.
PTO considering upgrading to Zoom that does not limit time.*