

## Valley View Elementary School

### October PTO Meeting Minutes

Number of attendees: 9

#### Board Members

President	Jessy Widmer	Secretary	Amy Casey
Vice President	Christi Urbanek	Treasurer	Jerri Shultz

1. Approval of Sept minutes
  - a. Mr. Roberts motioned to approve the minutes and Christi seconded the motion. It carried
2. Officer's Report
  - a. President, Jessy Widmer- United membership money has been redistributed to the PTOs minus carryover money for fine arts and money for the transportation lunch to be catered
  - a. Possible joint PTO venture on Santa shop
    - i. Last years company is offering virtual
    - ii. There hasn't been any update on the possibility of doing a Santa Shop with the other schools.
  - b. VP, Christi Urbanek- membership update
  - c. Treasurer, Jerri Shultz-
    - i. Spent \$168 on conference meals for staff
    - ii. Spent \$267.60 on backpack connection
    - iii. Paid out the \$40 request to Mrs. Love
    - iv. \$10,910.85 is the current balance
    - v. Upcoming expenses would be conference meals for the staff on Nov. 2nd.
3. Principal Report
  - a. 2nd and 4th graders are currently testing (IOWA and CogAT) and 3rd graders are taking the fall AIR test.
  - b. The retention provision has been removed from the 3rd grade guarantee for this school year.
  - c. Wired families will need to make a decision about whether or not they will stay wired or return to the building. Dr. Hill will be sending out the form soon, so Mr. Roberts will have the numbers on that soon.
  - d. The district will be returning to hard copy report cards starting the first trimester. There will be a delay in getting the report cards home. The trimester ends the Friday before Thanksgiving, but the report cards won't be able to be sent home until after the Thanksgiving break. Wired families will get their report card mailed home to them.
  - e. Halloween is going to look a lot different this year. There won't be a costume parade or a classroom party. Boo! The teachers are working on some ideas to keep the day fun without the traditional food and party.
  - f. The canned food drive will be a virtual drive this year. Instead of collecting food, we can donate money online.
  - g. Mr. Roberts thanked the PTO for the meals that were provided for conference days.
4. Old Business
  - a. Scholastic book fair goes through Sunday and so far we have \$238 in sales.

- i. VV gets 25% of sales in scholastic dollars.
  - ii. Mr. Roberts will see about blasting the link again before the sale ends.
  - iii. We haven't used any of our SD and hopefully we can have a spring book fair.
- b. Backpack Connection Update
  - i. Have \$287 left in the budget. Jason delivered 4 weeks of bags to Mrs. Paz this week.
  - ii. Jason thinks he has enough supplies to get through the end of the year and even into January.
  - iii. He has solicitation letters ready to go in case we need to ask grocery stores for donations.
  - iv. We have 10 students enrolled in the program.
- c. Mrs Jones and Mrs. Osterhouse requested \$485.80 for back of chair organizers. They have already purchased them with their own money so if we honor their request then we would be reimbursing them.
  - i. We looked at the budget after the last meeting and we noted that the Misc fund has \$929.38
  - ii. We have also decided to do the Stoller pastry sales so that will be additional funds that was not in our initial budget.
  - iii. Mrs. Wolf has requested \$220 for a program that we have always approved in the past. Kim Laurene made the point that if we are going to approve Mrs. Wolf for \$220 then we should approve Jones/Osterhouse for roughly the same amount each.
  - iv. Jason motioned that we reimburse 100% of Mrs. Jones and Mrs. Osterhouse's request up to \$485.80. Amy seconded the motion and it carried with 100% of the vote.
  - v. We'll check with them to see what they actually spent on the organizers and get the money to them.
- d. Hospitality committee provided boxed lunches from Blue Heron for the first night of conferences and stocked the lounge with grab n go snacks for the second day. We'll get a head count quickly as we move into the Nov. 2nd conferences.

## 5. New Business

- a. Stoller Pastries-
  - i. Sale starts tomorrow (Oct 21st) and goes through Nov. 4th
  - ii. We get 40% of the sales
  - iii. Drive through pick up on Nov. 23rd
- b. Teacher requests-
  - i. Mrs. Wolf has requested \$220 for a Brain Pop subscription that covers social studies and language arts
  - ii. Amy motioned to approve the request. Christi seconded the motion and it carried with 100% of the vote.
- c. Santa Shop
  - i. Tri-C is the company we used last year and they reached out to Jessy this week. They are offering a virtual shop this year and we would get 10% of the sales.
  - ii. We are reluctant to think that families will buy santa shop items online.
  - iii. Our traditional Santa Shop will not be happening this year :(

- iv. Mr. Roberts brought up the sale that the YMCA is doing with A-1. The sale is all online and A-1 is offering a variety of apparel items. Christi said CIS is doing something similar with Expert Tees. They are offering masks, hats, apparel and other items.
- v. Jerri is going to look into a few different companies and decide if we can get some kind of spirit ware pop up shop ready to go for Christmas. It will likely happen before the next meeting so we may have to make some decisions offline.
- d. Box Tops
  - i. Tina will work on a flyer to get all the box tops to the school by Oct. 30th. They need to be postmarked by Nov. 2nd.
- e. Jerri motioned to adjourn the meeting and Kelly seconded the motion. It carried with 100% of the vote.