

# CFES PTO MINUTES – DECEMBER 6, 2023

9:30 a.m.

- **Welcome:** (Michelle Boyle & Amanda Frake)
- **3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Presentation** (Mrs. DeNenno)  
Shared a video and slide presentation on the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade economics unit where students team up to create, build and market a product. The goal is to make learning economics more hands on.
- **Principal's Report:** (Mrs. Clark)
  - (1) Williamson College of the Trades will build the new CFES greenhouse this Spring, as part of their school service project.
  - (2) Thank you to parents for partnering for a very successful week of teacher conferences.
  - (3) Read-A-Thon was a big success, thank you to the committee for all their hard work.
  - (4) Thank you to the hospitality committee for the November luncheon for staff during conferences.
  - (5) Winter concerts are coming up. K-3 is 12/19 at 1:45pm and 4-5 is 12/20 at 1:45pm.
  - (6) The recent coat drive collected over a hundred coats for refugees in our state.
  - (7) Planning for an inspirational speaker to visit for an assembly in February.
  - (8) Ms. Doyer is launching her new Garden Club for 5<sup>th</sup> graders in the new year.
- **PTO Business:** (Michelle Boyle & Amanda Frake)
  - (1) Community Service – Sara Krausz (Chair) – The Read-A-Thon donated over 500 books to Mitchell Elementary. Plans are in the works for a journal writing project with 4<sup>th</sup> graders between Mitchell and CFES. There will be a snack drive for Mitchell in January around MLK Day. Also planning for a partnership with the Kennett Friends Home for holiday cards, and a spring concert for residents.
  - (2) Parents Night Out – Steph Maurer (Chair) – There are 46 tickets left to purchase. There will also be a silent auction with teacher experiences that include tennis, manicures, and Lego building. Will also have baskets to raffle, looking for a basket for each grade level.

- (3) Spirit Wear – Steph Maurer (Chair) – The pre-order for new items totaled 65 shirts and 40 pajama pants. Will look into adding smaller items next, including pencils, stickers, and socks.
- (4) Passive Fundraising – Jess Lang (Chair) – We had \$2,600 in orders for Square 1 Art, giving the school a profit of \$520. Mod Pizza is the next restaurant dine and donate on Tuesday, December 12<sup>th</sup>.
- (5) Hospitality – Meredith Petruccelli (Chair) – The December appreciation day for staff will be a hot cocoa and cookies cart on December 15<sup>th</sup>.
- (6) Winter Workshop – Jessica Eldridge (Chair) – The makerspace will be transformed into a winter wonderland. Kids will take home picture frames they can make, along with making snowflake keychains and suncatchers for the Kennett Friends Home. Still looking for a few volunteers to help with cleanup at the end of the event.
- (7) Bingo Night – Amanda Frake (Chair) – Planning is still underway for the event on January 19<sup>th</sup>. CFES Staff will help be bingo callers again. Looking into how the event will be scheduled, times and locations.
- (8) Art Show – Michelle Boyle (Chair) – Invitations have been sent to 75 artists. The format will change to a one-day event on Saturday March 16<sup>th</sup> from 12pm-7pm. Artists will take part as a booth payment system with different tiers for participation.

- **Treasurer's Report:** (John Mitchell)  
Budget updates plus unanimous vote to approve a \$500 decorating budget for Parents Night Out, and a \$500 budget to purchase new spirit wear items.
- **Meeting Adjourned at:** 11:50 a.m.