PTO Meeting -- April 14, 2020 via Zoom

Attendance: Amber Doll, Leesa Jones, Danielle Zins, James Jeske, Tricia Zinke, Leslee Webb, Travis Eggie, Kim Fischer, Christy Gensburg, Nicole Wothe

## **REPORTS**

Treasurer -- Leesa - \$11,877.92 in account

\$3,375.92 is the raffle ticket profit

Amendment made in Prize money given to students 1st- \$100, 2nd- \$75, 3rd- \$50

\$90 in BoxTops still coming in

Danielle made motion, Tricia 2<sup>nd</sup>, Motion Carried

Secretary -- Nicole made motion, Danielle 2<sup>nd</sup>, Motion Carried

## **Principal**

- Penny Wars
  - Total made was \$1,081
  - We fell \$700 short of getting all the new white board/projectors up
  - Motion made to give remainder needed to Jeske for white boards, Danielle made motion, Amber 2<sup>nd</sup>, Motion Carried
- Playground
  - Has arrived and is being put in over the summer
  - o Parks and Rec put 5k grant on hold
  - Bank meetings have been postponed
    - Hopefully meet with bank and Dave Scherr next week
  - 3 year interest free loan is available to float the balance until it is paid off
    - PTO carries the loan balance, not the district
- Panther Ball
  - Shirts have arrived and will be passed out to particiapants
- Yearbooks
  - o Free yearbook for every student at Pioneer
- New Teachers for 2020-2021 School Year
  - o 3 sections of K, 1, 2 and 3
  - o 2 sections of 5 and 5
  - Only 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> will have 19+ students
  - o 3 Title 1 teachers—Morrell, Wilkens and Reisenauer
  - o New teachers—2nd- Anna Latham, 3<sup>rd</sup>- Shanna Stevenson, K- Alison Gion
- New Portables
  - Getting 2 more portables
  - Pushing to get overhead projectors for them from the district
  - If we don't come back to school, we may be able to carry over 25% and not only 15% of budget.
    - Hope to use that towards classrooms.

- Distance Learning
  - Everyone has a learning curve
  - Teachers are helping out quickly
  - Attendance is done by school work completed
  - Tech free packets are offered to all students
  - School engagement is around 60% right now
  - Everybody has been located!
  - More office hours of teachers may be possible
  - It is a balancing act for everyone involved
  - Is it possible for parents to get more feedback about how the students are doing on their assignments?
  - Can there be a time for parents to chat or email with the teachers to ask basic questions?
  - o Is there anything PTO can do to support the teachers?
  - o 20 minute check ins with students are encouraged
- Teacher Appreciation Week
  - May 4<sup>th</sup> through the 8<sup>th</sup>
  - o To be decided
- New Board Members
  - Leesa Jones to stay on as Treasurer
  - Tricia Zinke voted in as new President
  - Christy Gensburg voted in as new Vice President
  - Erin Good or Beth Ulvestad possibly new Secretary? (neither in attendance)

## Q&A

- How many staff are in the building?
  - Deb, Jim, custodians, and aides as needed to get things. Occassionally a specialist comes in for things.

Meeting adjourned

Next meeting May 12, 2020