

Pioneer PTO Meeting

Tuesday, September 10, 2019 – 6:30 pm

In attendance: Danielle Zins, Amber Doll, Leesa Jones, Vanessa Miller, Tricia Zinke, ,Christy Gensburg, Nicole Wothe, Erin Good, Beth Ulvestad and Jim Jeske

REPORTS

Secretary: Amber made motion and Nicole 2nd, motion approved

Treasurer: \$8,981.84 – Tricia made motion and Erin 2nd, motion approved

- Raffle check \$25
- Deposit \$183.05 Labels for Learning

Principal:

- Music Fundraiser, \$300 was floated, \$76 has been returned to school
- Jeff is back after having the summer off for knee surgery
- Jena (new social worker) starts next Monday 9/16. She comes from BCSS
- Kindergarten is now capped at 44
- Playground equipment – look to put in June 2020
 - Get 5k grant from district with matching funds from school
 - Get 5k matching grant from Bismarck Parks and Rec
- Right Size – Pioneer is 258, current enrollment is 275
- 15 Teacher interviews
 - 3 sections each of 1st and 2nd, teachers feel better, not as many kids on top of each other
 - 5th grade possibly in portables 20-21 school year
- School Focus – Our kids are.....
- New floors in lunchroom, gym, staff room, front entry during Summer 2020
- Mr. Fye (new counselor) came to us from Myhre, via West Fargo
- AVID – trying to get kids organized for middle school, high school, and life
 - Most 3-5 grade teachers attended training July 1-3, 2019
 - Focus on good instructional practices
- Publishing – 16 elementary school student survey
 - #2 for student engagement
 - Middle of the pack for academic achievement

OLD BUSINESS

- Bowling—5th grade
 - Students had a blast!
- Final Audit
 - Went well- all was accounted for
- Bank Set-up
 - Leesa still in process of getting on account at American Bank Center

- President, Vice President and Treasurer to be put on account (not Secretary, due to being a district employee)
- One more try to get everything changed over before considering a change of bank
- Bylaws
 - Update Purpose
 - Being supportive of the 21st century learner
 - Any 2 representing teacher on the executive committee (no specific grade levels)
 - Possibly changing times for meetings

NEW BUSINESS

- Boards with Interactive Projectors
 - We had floated loan for 1 board
 - Pioneer behind on tech in the building
 - Teachers gained board space
- T-shirts for 5th grade
 - Up to \$400 to be spent on shirts—Tricia made motion, Beth 2nd, motions carried
 - Danielle to order from Dakota Screen Arts
- Events
 - Popcorn Friday
 - Five were helping pop and deliver popcorn on 8/30
 - Corn Sale
 - Pioneer earned \$150
 - Fundraisers towards Playground and White Boards
 - Danielle hunt for grants
 - Committee for fundraisers and fun events – Erin, Tricia, Vanessa, Christy, Jim
 - Are there enough Lego Robotics kits for all 3-5 classrooms still?
- In The Next Month
 - Turkeys for Thanksgiving – 3Be Meats?
 - Extra snacks for late comers -- \$50
 - Move \$50 from the pantry fund to Mr. Fye, Tricia made motion, Erin 2nd
 - Clothes for closet – underwear and pants most pressing need
- Divide Crossing Guard
 - 14th and Divide getting a crossing guard to cross all students at one time after school
- Q&A
 - Will Miss Binigar's students have to keep coming in 5 min early from recess before school? They don't like missing 5 min of recess with their friends.
 - They will start coming in with the 4th and 5th graders within the next week!

Next Meeting October 8, 2019 – 6:30 pm

Meeting adjourned