

Pioneer PTO Meeting

Tuesday, March 12th, 2019 – 6:30

In attendance: Tricia Zinke, Alissa Thiele, Nicole Wothe, Cecilia Ziegler, Kalli Scherbenske, and Jim Jeske.

REPORTS

Secretary: Tricia made a motion and Alissa 2nd, motion approved.

Treasurer: Available balance \$7,215.90 and Actual balance \$6,970.03 – Alissa will also write check for archery. Tricia made a motion and Nikki 2nd, motion approved.

Principal:

- Facebook – Discussion regarding not a lot of activity. Someone new needs to be the owner and give access rights to approve officer access. Mr. Jeske will try to add some things that are going on this month.
- Reading month. Giving out a book a day. Some of the books were from PTO purchases in the past.
- Hoops month.
- Raffle - Mr. Jeske had a meeting with a gentleman and being frugal with our money. We have a plan to take out an old piece and one set of swings and add another large item and maybe smaller item. It all depends on how fundraisers go and what we can get. Mr. Jeske feels we may ask for donations, may be 2 or 3 year plan. There is a really cool piece he wants to go for. They can go section by section too. Three stories tall with netting, fits accessibility needs, safety needs. He is in the process of putting out the bid for one month. There is a grant the vendor will run through his company. Timing may be just right. Uncertain if park and rec \$5k will be available, may be Bismarck parks only. Total potentially \$80,000. Mr. Jeske is planning to send some students to some businesses.
- 3rd, 4th and 5th will be starting assessments, new vendor will provide results within possibly one day to no more than 1 week.
- Kindness month.
- Various presentations. Kevin Lock was in.
- Still working on lunch situation, narrowed down to one grade. Uncertain if working yet. If counting days with weather wear is hard for timing and adjustments for next year. Another email will be going out regarding coats. The temperature regarding when they should have a coat, sweatshirt, etc. Wet snow pants are coming too.
- No updates on Eagle Scout. The playground vendor offers metal bench.

OLD BUSINESS

Food Panty donation update – Tricia has received a few \$50 donations.

Raffle fundraiser – Tricia thanks Nikki and Deb for their work. Tickets went out last week. Drawing to be held 4/1, Deb will notify and mail winnings. Per Mr. Jeske, additional info to be sent to families.

Balance of archery equipment – Tricia will forward to Alissa.

Nominations for board members for 2019-2020 – Alissa will be leaving the school. Danielle has mentioned stepping down. Tricia is working more with Autism program. Nikki has held Secretary position for 3 years. Tricia mentioned changing it up a bit, potentially having a parent designated to bring items. FB live is bringing in some viewers. Kindergarten open house with playground visual board, along with popcorn Friday, movie night, etc. Mr. Jeske felt a noon PTO meeting may be worth a try.

NEW BUSINESS

Movie Night – Mr. Jeske mentioned the possibility of the last week of school during business hours.

Upcoming expenses – stipends – Discussion regarding \$50 in May. Tricia made a motion and Alissa 2nd. Nikki requested it be tabled until the next meeting until after the fundraiser results to get financial roadmap of playground equipment needs to initiate project.

Easter Hams – Discussion regarding donations or purchasing. Nikki will stop by Cash Wise and Alissa will reach out to organizations too. Each will try to gather 6.

Teacher Appreciation week 5/6 – 5/10 – Discussion regarding Root beer floats. Alissa made a motion for up to \$50 for assorted ice cream treats, Nikki 2nd, motion approved. Any volunteer needs? Alissa volunteered.

Coffee Day – Per Tricia, scratched.

Next PTO meeting: Tuesday, April 9th 6:30pm at the Pioneer Cafeteria. You are more than welcome to bring your children.