Pioneer PTO Meeting

Tuesday, January 8th, 2019 – 6:30

In attendance: Tricia Zinke, Alissa Thiele, Nicole Wothe, Kim Fischer, Justin Miller, Rylee Meier, and Jim Jeske.

REPORTS

<u>Secretary</u>: Alissa made a motion and Kim 2nd, motion approved.

<u>Treasurer:</u> \$7,192.03 – Some checks are still pending. Tricia made a motion and Nikki 2nd, motion approved.

Principal:

- Deb has been able to add live links to the newsletters. They are finding some parents are not privy to school changes and they will start sending out information, be on the look for items i.e. attendance, just being gone can be tardy, etc. Parents are sometimes not happy regarding these discussions. Live link policies will be sent, and they will try to highlight elementary school specific items. Another piece, in late February or March, teacher selection requests for school year 2019-2020 must go through criteria process. Children stay in their designated class, unless they come in for a visit regarding the 2 choices. Sometimes difficult to balance classes. Attendance information to be sent out early regarding family responsibility to come into school on time.
- Deb is in the process of working on the archery penny wars. There will be a power announcement and text messages going out as we would like to have fun. Hopefully ready be parent event and end movie night.
- Winter night STEAM night coming up.
- Parent Teacher conferences Jan 31st and Feb 5th online registration to be sent. Alissa will investigate catering for 25 teacher staff. Grand Junction and Taco Del Mar were discussed as options, pending reasonable cost. Alissa made a motion and Tricia 2nd, motion approved.
- Playground Jeske has Ground All Recreation Inc coming in the end of January to give our
 playground a visit and mock up some options. We are potentially a year out, look at pricing
 and have some student input. Jeske has discussed with Dorothy Moses, they did very well
 with a \$10 raffle ticket fundraiser and felt it was very successful. Other funding options
 include BPS grant (part matching grant for equipment), funding 0% interest or Parks & Rec
 grant. We can roll over PTO funds to subsequent school year. Will have 3 companies submit
 proposals.

OLD BUSINESS

Winter Fest Family Engagement Night Update – Discussed coming up.

Movie night -1/25 Incredibles 2, volunteers needed at 5:15pm for popcorn and requested Jeff move the popcorn machines prior.

<u>Update on Penny Wars</u> - Moving to 1/14 - 1/25. Hoping for \$1,200. Tricia has discussed with United Way and she will stop by 1/11 to pick them up, deliver them to the school that day and Jeske will tape our labels over theirs. 1/26 Tricia will take them to the bank. Rewards for highest positive and lowest negative – winners will receive first 30-minute archery class. If office gets the lowest negative, PTO pays for Jeske and Deb to go out to lunch (cannot hide jugs). Nikki made motion, Alissa 2^{nd} , motion approved.

NEW BUSINESS

<u>School board meetings</u> – Tricia asked for Mr. Jeske's opinion if we need to attend to be advocates for Pioneer. Jeske needs to be the biggest advocate, as parents we have every right to attend if we would like.

Next PTO meeting: Tuesday, February 12th 6:30pm at the Pioneer Cafeteria. You are more than welcome to bring your children.