

## Pioneer PTO Meeting

Tuesday, September 12th, 2017 – 6:30

In attendance: Donatienne Domitien, Nicole Wothe, Kristi Thigpen, Kim Fischer, Leesa Jones, Cassandra Filler, Nickie Stetson, Raylene Mattern, Alissa Thiele, Erin Good, Krista Jacobson, Marcia Wilkens, Arlene Wolf, Tricia Zinke and Jim Jeske.

Marcia Wilkens and Mr. Jeske presented Schoolwide Title 1 Presentation. Currently Pioneer has 273 students. A year end summary will be provided to parents.

If anyone is interested in volunteering at the school, please contact Michelle Vollan at 323-4220. Apple Dash is also looking for volunteers.

### **REPORTS**

Secretary: Nickie moved and Kim seconded a motion to approve minutes as written. Motion approved.

Treasurer: Mo's Snow Shack \$136. Schwans \$129.38 (currently \$164 with 33 days left). A balance of \$3,501.62 was reported. Nicole moved and Nickie seconded a motion to approve the treasury report. Motion approved. Discussion to inquire with Tricia or Nicole after the meeting if there is any interest or questions regarding our open Treasurer position.

#### Marcia Wilkens:

- October is Math Month
- February is Reading Month

#### Principal:

- Panther's logo on the fence will be re added. The school garbage cans needed to be relocated to the South of the school. They are hoping to fence in the garbage cans.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Purpose and importance of the Pioneer Elementary PTO – A HUGE thank you to everyone who joined our meeting!!! Discussion regarding what our goals are this year and how we plan to reach them. We'd like to have an impact on as many students as possible. Please reach out to Tricia via email [Tricia.Zinke@gmail.com](mailto:Tricia.Zinke@gmail.com), [PTO.Pioneer@gmail.com](mailto:PTO.Pioneer@gmail.com) or via phone 989-9511 with any questions or if you'd like to bring treats to one of our meetings. Please join our Pioneer PTO-Bismarck ND Facebook page if you haven't already.

Discuss upcoming expenses – Mr. Jeske should be able to cover a lot of our previous food expenses with Title money. Hoping to raise money this year for Lego Robotics (2<sup>nd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> graders). Group asked if they could be presented/demonstrated at the next meeting. With current funds being low, discussed previous Teacher stipends. Mr. Jeske would like staff to

utilize internal funds prior to PTO funds. He'll reach out to the other schools within the district to see what their PTO is doing. Mr. Jeske will also reach out to staff regarding funding needs this year for PTO budget discussion.

Get volunteers/committees setup for 1<sup>st</sup> fundraiser of the year - Cherrydale Fundraiser (Cookie dough and Christmas paper) pamphlet provided for the group's review. Kickoff 09/29/2017 during Spirit Assembly.

Discuss box tops, Dan's receipts, popcorn day and Shoparoo – Kim is our box top coordinator. Please send your Dan's receipts if applicable. Popcorn day will be the last Friday of every month if you would like to volunteer. Tricia meets in the Teacher lounge at 7:45am. Shoparoo app is free and easy to scan your receipts.

Movie Night – Discussed Movie Night on Friday October 6<sup>th</sup> with Inside Out. Nickie, Alissa and Leesa volunteered to assist. Tricia will setup a volunteer link on our PTO Facebook page.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Green Space Dedication – Per Mr. Jeske this was completed last year.

Schwan Fundraiser during the summer – Currently \$164 with 33 days left.

**Next PTO meeting:** Tuesday, October 10<sup>th</sup> 2017 at 6:30pm. You are more than welcome to bring your children.