Northridge PTO Meeting Minutes

Northridge Zoom Meeting

November 10, 2020

The meeting was called to order by Dierdre at 6:33PM. Motion to approve by Gina and Shonda second.

In attendance

Dierdre Bostyan, Shonda Mertz, Gina Mckenzie, Jennifer Roth, Amanda Dodge, Krista Diede, Carissa Stafslien, Lindsay Nagel

No corrections to the October minutes. Motion for approval made by Gina and Shonda second.

Treasurer's Report

We currently have \$16,444. \$5,900 was taken out for teacher allocations. \$240 was spent on the meal for teacher conferences. Motion for approval made by Jennifer and Amanda second.

Principal's Report

Hearing screening for Kindergarteners is coming up soon.

Northridge had 93.2% participation in parent teacher conferences. The target is 95% participation. Northridge had two teachers (Carissa Stafslien and Amy Lysne) attend a training called 'Out of the Gate' last week. This training is for teachers who will have a student teacher this school year. They will be completing a

project based learning project with their student teachers.

Mrs. Enockson and Mrs. Roth did a gratitude project with the staff members. It highlighted our staff and their families to appreciate one another.

Giving Tree- This year Northridge will have a virtual tree. Sign up to donate gifts will be completed virtually. Please see the November Newsletter for more information.

Old Business

<u>Dine and Donate</u> Next Monday, November 16th at Space Aliens - curbside, take out, and dine in

December 10th- Wings and Rings Considering Panera, Big Boy, Bruno's, Texas RoadHouse, Five Guys for February-May. Gina will coordinate.

Donation Letter

This letter was sent home with students either last week or the beginning of this week. The class with the most envelopes returned or electronic donations will get an extra recess from Ms. Mertz. Deirdre will get more envelopes printed for students. PTO will send another letter after Thanksgiving highlighting the class in the lead.

Fifth Grade T-Shirts

Mrs. Diede is requesting money for 5th grade t-shirts. Last year, we spent under \$600. Innovations was the company used last year, we will use the same company this year. Motion to approve \$700 made by Amanda and Gina second.

<u>Yearbook</u>

Shonda will ask clarifying questions from Scherling Photography and report back to PTO with details.

<u>Blacktop/Playground Idea</u> Shonda is waiting for a response from Nicole.

Additional Old Business

New Business

School Store

There have been 191 students participating so far. 1,463 email invites went out. Every grade level has participated. 44 students in Kindergarten, 37 students in 1st grade, 34 students in 2nd grade, 37 students in 3rd grade, 20students in 4th grade, and 19 students in 5th grade. School Store said we are doing fantastic with this fundraiser. So far a little over \$14,000 has been donated to Northridge Teachers. They will receive those gift cards at the end of each month to use at School Store. \$347 has been raised through other sale items. Thank you!

Virtual Events

Possible events: virtual Bingo or Theo Art School painting activity. Title 1 could help cover costs if incorporating math or reading with the event. Deirdre will look into the cost of Theo Art School and she will look into options for a virtual Bingo.

PTO Board Members

Gina, Deirdre, and Jennifer's terms are complete at the end of this school year. Therefore President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer positions will be open. Please email the PTO if you are interested.

Additional New Business

Next Meeting

December 8, 2020, 6:30pm at Northridge or via Zoom (TBD).

Motion to adjourn was made at 7:51 by Krista and Lindsay second.

Minutes taken by Jennifer Roth.

Thank you for coming and hope to see you at the next meeting!

Dierdre Bostyan - President, Vacant - Vice President,

Jennifer Roth - Secretary, Gina McKenzie – Treasurer

Some ways you can volunteer this year with the PTO

Please email the Northridge PTO if you see a way you would like to be involved.

- Help with an event. Chair one that you feel passionate about, help to plan an event with a group, or donate any time you might have to help, even if it just an hour.

- Sign up to bring food for conference meals (PTO sends out a sign up link)
- Help stuff packets for the Calendar raffle or another event.
- Help with collection or counting of box tops, coke rewards, etc.

- Help with Merchandise. Planning what Northridge needs are, or selling merchandise, or helping sort when the order comes in.

- Signing up to help staff the book fairs. (PTO sends a link for this as well)
- Helping with the yearbook creation, gathering photos, etc.