

Northridge PTO Meeting Minutes

Northridge School Cafeteria

February 13, 2020

The meeting was called to order by Dierdre at 6:05 PM.

In attendance

Dierdre Bostyan, Shonda Mertz, Gina Mckenzie, Jennifer Roth

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

Treasurer's Report

We currently have \$24,197.26. It was a positive month with incoming items. We paid for Chess Club, printing for Dine to Donate and a wish list for staff. We made some income at Bingo for Books on merchandise and received \$1,000.00 from Dan's receipts. Motion to approve by Jennifer and Shonda second.

Principal's Report

Current enrollment is 453 students.

No school Monday and Tuesday. Tuesday is Staff Development for the teachers. The teachers will be working on emotional resilience and fostering it within themselves. On March 16th there will be a parent event at BHS from 6:30-7:30 with a national presenter on cultivating emotional resilience. Watch for more information coming home with your child as the time nears.

Chess Club is available, if PTO would like to schedule another month. There is a Highland Acres Scholastic Chess Tournament on Monday, February 17th at Highland Acres Elementary School in Bismarck. It is free and open to any K-12 student. Registration is from 12:30-12:45 and starts at 1:00PM.

Scherling Photography sent Northridge a packet of information as an option for photographs next year. Jess Logan (school secretary) will be meeting with them soon to find out the cost and other details. Lifetouch has been looked into in the past, but is not as successful as they claim to be according to some other schools in the district who use them.

Blood drive had 25 pints of blood donated.

Old Business

Art to Remember

A reminder email will be sent to teachers tomorrow. Art is due February 21st. Once the company gets all artwork, they will create individual order forms. Teachers will hand out order forms on March 9th. All orders will be due March 23rd. Ordered items will arrive around April 22nd for distribution. We receive 25% of sales. A display of some available items to purchase is in the PTO showcase by the office.

Larks Night 2020

Will be May 28th. Deposit of \$303 is paid.

Dine and Donate

We received \$204.00 from Paradiso. We had 111 guests that showed the flier. We earned 15%. Our next one is March 19th at Roadhouse. We will get 10%. Texas Roadhouse has been easy to work with.

Space Aliens will be April 6th. Space Aliens is also easy to work with.

STEM Night

Gina will call to schedule an evening date sometime in April.

Movie Night

We will not have this event this school year.

Northridge PTO Page

Janelle set one up. Diedre will check with Mandi Clausen about joining the Northridge PTO and Northridge Facebook page.

Additional Old Business

Gina will send a check to Junior Achievement for \$250.00

New Business

Bingo Cards

Moni sent an email to PTO with a suggestion of purchasing our own bingo set so we don't need to borrow from Corpus each year. She found 200 packs of cards for \$177.00. We would purchase 2 packages for a total of 400 cards. The bingo machine is \$231.00. The total cost for all bingo supplies would be about \$600.00. We will wait to see how scheduled fundraising goes for the remainder of this school year. It will be tabled until fall.

Small Bag Fundraiser

Diedre will send a reminder email instead of sending baggies home.

Additional new business

Lunch with a loved one- Diedre will visit with Jess and Molly.

Next Meeting

March 10, 2020, 6:00pm, Northridge Conference Room

Motion to adjourn was made at 7:04 by Jennifer and Gina 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.