

**Meeting Minutes – Grimsrud Elementary School PTO**  
**Tuesday, May 14, 2019**  
**Music Room**

Meeting was called to order at 6:01 PM by Krystal Atkinson.

**Attendees:** Laura Sandberg, Tara Huss-Redding, Libby Barrett, Lacey Mettler, Elsie Sheldon, Amanda Sieger, Sara Bramblett, Kodi Auch, Renee Cleary, Brittany Kuester, Krystal Atkinson, KerryAnn Thompson, Rochelle Skarperud Klein, Christine Mellert, Laura Filler, Haley Haugen, Denise Leapaldt-Johnson, Hope Zamora.

**Fundraising:**

Tim with Frozen Tundra Fundraising opened the meeting with a presentation on the different fundraising opportunities that his company offers. He is no longer with Great American and started his own company. Options include Mrs. Field's Cookies, World's Finest Chocolate, Winter Wonderland catalog, and Driven Coffee.

The gift catalog and Mrs. Fields cookies can be ran together if we wish. Other fundraisers can be done together but the delivery times get complicated.

Benefit of the chocolate is that re orders are very fast if we need to sell more and we make \$30 per box sold. Kids just take the boxes home with them are held responsible to bring the money back for chocolate sold.

A prize catalog program is available with the Winter Wonderland and Mrs. Fields cookies fundraisers.

We need to let him know soon if we would like to lock in a fundraiser kick off date for Fall 2019.

**Lifetouch – Shutterfly:**

Hunter with Lifetouch Shutterfly presented their program. Their program offers many advantages, including online ordering with many options to customize orders. A free yearbook is always given to every student in the school regardless of how many picture orders are received. Kids also receive a free gift depending on what the promotion is that time of year. We do need to sign a three-year contract if we choose to switch to this program. Ultimately the school's decision to switch, but PTO and those in attendance support the switch.

**Recap of Parent Involvement Committee and PTO partnership**

Krystal indicated that the partnership went well, but that we may try for a different time of year for Bingo for Books next year, perhaps January or February as the spring time got very busy this year.

Principal Haugen suggested a monthly calendar be created in the fall that lays out the events planned for the year. Everyone agreed this was a good idea.

PIC and PTO agreed to meet in August before school starts to discuss the coming school year.

PIC plans to continue in to next year but will plan to focus their efforts on school events that take place during the school day.

We plan to decide at the meeting in August ways to coordinate more parents volunteers for the next school year. One idea is to have grade level reps who would be in charge of calling parents in that class to volunteer.

PIC also suggested having monthly meetings instead of three per school year. PTO will consider. PTO switched from monthly to three per year to encourage more attendance, but numbers have not increased. With a monthly meeting, more teachers would be able to attend.

A parent suggested more updates on the Facebook page so that parents have a better understanding of what PTO does for the school. Having a PTO bulletin in the lobby was suggested as a way for PTO to reach out to parents and educate on what our mission is.

Mrs. LJ suggested the envelope idea. Each event for the year had a planning envelope that could be handed off to whoever was in charge and made planning easier to delegate.

Krystal will contact Haley to plan the August meeting date.

### **5<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation**

Invites have been sent to families. Hoping to get a headcount before they shop for goodies and supplies and will let us know so that PTO can determine budget provided.

### **Yearbook**

Christine let the group know that D'Joyce photography was very helpful to her while working on the yearbook and needing student and staff photos. Discussion was had around who would be responsible for the yearbook going forward. Principal Haugen agreed that ideally someone on school staff would be ideal as they know the kids and can capture photos of events on site. For next year, Karla Lobsinger or the LMS would be in charge of the yearbook. Principal Haugen will discuss this with them.

### **Fundraiser Vote**

Kerry Ann motion to approve the fall fundraiser with Tim of Frozen Tundra Fundraising. Rochelle seconded the motion. All were in favor. Rochelle will contact Tim to secure our kick off date.

### **Board Positions**

All board members are retaining their positions for another year. Kodi Auch agreed to be the new box top coordinator. Her and Darielle will be in touch to hand over information before Darielle moves. Rochelle agreed to lead fundraising efforts again next year. Krystal will continue with Dan's receipts.

Laura Sandberg will take over Laura Filler's duties with the PTO Facebook page. Laura Sandberg will be added as a new admin on the page.

Rochelle motion to approve board and committee positions as stated. Christine seconded that motion. All were in favor.

### **Student Council**

The Grimsrud Student Council would like to walk in the band parade next fall. PTO will help sponsor a sign for them to carry. Laura Filler will check in to pricing for the sign.

### **Closing**

Principal Haugen thanked PTO for their efforts this school year. Christine let everyone know that yearbooks are in the mailboxes for teachers to pass out when it's time.

Motion to adjourn at 7:37 PM.