



Tuesday, September 12, 2023
7:00pm – 8:00pm, Weber's Front Row

Agenda

1. **Quick intro to board**
2. **Round Robin introductions** - Thanks for joining Kindergarten parents!
3. **Dr. Peterson's update**
 - a. **Trivia Night Fundraising Update:**
 - i. **Water bottle refilling station project** [out for bid](#); closes Sept 25
 - ii. **Library updates** - We continue to work with a group of interested parents, along with Mrs. Pulpillo on the proposed updates to the library. There will be a few phases to the project, including turning (vacant) Room 11 into a STEM / Makerspace area, flexible furniture and longer-term new carpeting and shelving. The current plan has the circulation desk relocating. Dr. Peterson will provide updates in the Pulse as they continue to work with a new vendor.
 - b. **School Pictures** - We are switching photo companies this year to Wagner. They are also able to create the yearbook and take candid photos for us, with a \$2 upcharge. The parent in charge of the yearbook has stepped down, so this might be a good solution. Picture day is next week!
 - c. **[Brainpop](#)** - Teachers are interested in getting a building-wide license to this teaching resource. The cost is \$4k and we may ask the PTO for some funding.
 - d. **Fall parties - September 22** - There has been some confusion about parent help for school parties this year. Parents were asked to fill out

an [online form](#) asking how they wanted to help this year. Some felt this change wasn't communicated well, leading to some confusion. Because of the overall change in parties this year, there is some confusion between parents / teachers. Dr. Peterson is planning to send a separate communication later this week. **NEW** this year - adults attending the party will need to RSVP. If you're already in the Raptor system a nametag will be sent home with your child in advance of the party. If not, please plan on some extra time to get signed in on the day of the party.

4. Budget approval (see below)

- a. We have \$40k set aside for water bottle refilling and library.
- b. Budget approved; allowing Board to make purchases w/in 10% variance

5. Fund-a-teacher update and brainstorm

- a. We're currently about halfway to our fundraising goal.
 - i. There was a question about how much families "should" give. It is hard to gauge the "right" amount. By publishing this information, we may dissuade some families (e.g. from giving more or even giving at all). One idea raised was to send out averages "costs" that an Avery teacher spends on their classroom.
- b. Typically, about 40% of Avery families participate in the program.
- c. We discussed Amazon Wish Lists as an alternative to the program.

6. Progressive Dinner - September 23 - [Tickets on sale now!](#)

7. Fall Fest - October 5

- a. We agreed to sell spirit wear again this year, using Square to take payments.
- b. There are some *amazing* raffle items! This year you will have the option to select which item you're going for.
- c. The Sign Up Genius for volunteers is coming out this week. Each classroom will have a quota to fill.

8. Socialize!

Upcoming Events and Activities

- Fall Parties - Sept 22
- Progressive Dinner - Sept 23
- Fall Fest - Oct 5

| AVERY PTO DRAFT BUDGET 2023-2024 | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|----------------|----|-------------|
| Expenditures | Budgeted | | | Net |
| | Income | Expense | | |
| PTO Supplies | | \$ (500.00) | \$ | (500.00) |
| Appreciation - All Staff | | \$ (3,500.00) | \$ | (3,500.00) |
| Parent/Teacher Conference Dinners | | \$ (1,250.00) | \$ | (1,250.00) |
| Discretionary Teacher Grants | | \$ (7,000.00) | \$ | (7,000.00) |
| Field Trips Grants | | \$ (6,000.00) | \$ | (6,000.00) |
| 5th Grade Special Activities | | \$ (1,000.00) | \$ | (1,000.00) |
| Memorials/Gifts | | \$ (300.00) | \$ | (300.00) |
| Student Activities Fund | | \$ (1,000.00) | \$ | (1,000.00) |
| Equity group | \$ - | \$ (1,000.00) | \$ | (1,000.00) |
| PTO insurance | | \$ (535.00) | \$ | (535.00) |
| Avery Front Lawn | | \$ (150.00) | \$ | (150.00) |
| Playground/Recess | | \$ (200.00) | \$ | (200.00) |
| Subtotal | \$ - | \$ (22,435.00) | \$ | (22,435.00) |
| Events | Budgeted | | | Net |
| | Income | Expense | | |
| Auction/Trivia Night | \$ 25,000.00 | \$ (5,000.00) | \$ | 20,000.00 |
| Avery Play | \$ 400.00 | \$ (400.00) | \$ | - |
| Back to School BBQ | \$ - | \$ (600.00) | \$ | (600.00) |
| Blacktop Ball | \$ - | \$ (2,500.00) | \$ | (2,500.00) |
| Fall Festival | \$ 15,000.00 | \$ (3,500.00) | \$ | 11,500.00 |
| Razzmatazz | \$ - | \$ (100.00) | \$ | (100.00) |
| Movie Nights | \$ - | \$ (500.00) | \$ | (500.00) |
| Welcoming Committee | \$ - | \$ (500.00) | \$ | (500.00) |
| Subtotal | \$ 40,400.00 | \$ (13,100.00) | \$ | 27,300.00 |
| Fundraisers | Budgeted | | | Net |
| | Income | Expense | | |
| Progressive Dinner | \$ 2,500.00 | \$ - | \$ | 2,500.00 |
| Kona Ice | \$ 400.00 | \$ - | \$ | 400.00 |
| Spirit Wear | \$ 400.00 | \$ - | \$ | 400.00 |
| Dine Out Nights | \$ 300.00 | \$ - | \$ | 300.00 |
| Socials | \$ 3,000.00 | \$ - | \$ | 3,000.00 |
| Fund-A-Teacher | \$ 10,000.00 | \$ (10,000.00) | \$ | - |
| Subtotal | \$ 16,600.00 | \$ (10,000.00) | \$ | 6,600.00 |
| Grand Total | \$ 57,000.00 | \$ (45,535.00) | \$ | 11,465.00 |