

Carmel Middle School PTO Executive Board Meeting

Present: Jody Kent, Michele Kirby, Deanna Pitman, Sarah Grelecki, Bhavna Thapar, Shanell Dominy, Erin Schaum

Tuesday, February 20, 2024 0900

I. Welcome—Jody Kent

- a. Meeting minutes on google drive and PTO website
- b. PTO-Meeting tab-minutes and budget
- c. Coffee cart reservations for December 2024
  - i. Will reserve- would like to reserve as it's favorite day- Dec 19, 8-1030

II. Principal's Report—Deanna Pitman

- a. Budget request for clubs:
  - i. Club enrollments have increased
    - 1. Have spent most of yearly budget (\$2500 spent)
      - a. Request more for budget to cover second semester clubs
        - i. Have money in budget left over from different activities that have taken place already (Middle school transition night, back to school tailgate)
        - ii. Requesting additional \$3000 for clubs
          - 1. Motion to approve additional funds and issue double payment to E-Sports
          - 2. Seconded and Approved to provide additional \$3000 for second semester clubs
      - b. Request to issue double payment for E-Sports
        - i. Looking into having central office sponsor next year covering next year by central office as
        - ii. Request approved (see above)
- b. Spring pictures next week
  - i. All students will get one-don't have to purchase
  - ii. Helps with funding
- c. Updated calendar invite-1pm on March 19
- d. Presentation-Carmel EI- differences between elementary-April Smoky Row
- e. No grant requests

III. PTO President's Report—Jody Kent

- a. Committee Updates
  - i. Staff appreciation
    - 1. School Counselor
      - a. Cookies and Starbucks gift card
  - ii. SRO appreciation
    - 1. Amazon gift card
  - iii. Dine to donate
    - 1. Feb 27-Papa Fattoush

- iv. Thankful Thursday
  - 1. Leap for joy
    - a. Breakfast provided on Feb 29

#### IV. Vice President's Report—Michele Kirby

- a. Solar Eclipse Parking Fundraiser
  - i. Monday, April 8
  - ii. Sign up genius for volunteers
  - iii. Will offer free spot if volunteering
  - iv. Lots will open at 10a
    - 1. Eclipse "at 3pm"
    - 2. Will need to stay after
  - v. Will follow up with Emily from CCS on parking space purchases
    - 1. Will adjust volunteer numbers, minimum of 8 volunteers to observe parking lots
- b. 8th Grade Celebration (\$1,000 from PTO)
  - i. Cassie Hull and Michele Kirby are chairing
    - 1. Michele has reached out, hasn't yet heard back
  - ii. There are several volunteers willing to help day of (5-6 people)
  - iii. Budget:
    - 1. \$1000
    - 2. Planning on charging \$10/kid
  - iv. 1130am-3pm
    - 1. Will serve lunch
      - a. Have previously done Chic- Fil- A, pizza in years past
- c. PTO Transition
  - i. Jody and Michele will plan on meeting together to discuss for next year

#### V. Treasurer's Report—Sarah Grelecki

- a. PTO fundraiser (PTO and Pantry Pack)
  - i. Donations
    - 1. Pantry Pack \$300 in December, total \$5855,
    - 2. PTO- \$14,519
  - ii. Balance of Monies:
    - 1. Savings: \$38,000 +3800 in checking
    - 2. Checking: \$3,800
  - iii. We currently do have money to move around to support increase in funding for spring clubs
- b. Treasurer's Report, mid-year report

#### VI. Communications Report—Shanell Dominy

- a. Nothing to report

#### VII. Secretary's Report—Erin Schaum

- a. Follow up on 5th/6th grade transition

- b. Possibly coordinating to have “expert parent” panel present to help parents with middle school transition

#### VIII. Adjournment

- a. Guest speaker for general PTO meeting (4/16) ideas:
  - i. Freshman center support staff-decided topic not broad enough to reach all parents
  - ii. AI/Family Tech Talk, - John {Churgenson}- on staff CCS tech person, will also reach out to Mrs. Karpuik (Digital Citizenship teacher)
  - iii. Ascension Mental Health Therapists