MNES PTO Minutes
November 1, 2018

Call to Order - President Tracy Binkley called the meeting to order at 6:35 pm in the library. We had introductions of everyone present.

President's Remarks - Tracy gave a shout out and thank you to Mr. Feldman for sleeping on the roof in support of the Fun Run and our school.

Principal's Remarks - Mr. Feldman thanked the PTO for the Book Fair. The new STEM curriculum is going well. The kids are learning MyOn, which is a sort of "Netflix" of reading. He reminded parents that they should engage their students in reading and math at home. The playground audit was last week and the shade problem was addressed.

Reading and Approval of Minutes - The minutes were presented from the October 4, 2018 meeting. Motion for approval was made by Karen Rossman Styers and seconded by Maggie Slattery. The motion was unanimously approved.

Reading and Approval of Treasurer's Report - The treasurer's report was presented. No report on IHOP yet regarding funds earned. Motion for approval was made by Kari Williamson and seconded by Andrea Snyder. The motion was unanimously approved.

Funding Requests - Kindergarten is not going to the play as previously requested

Harvest Party - We have the receipt but we need the written request

Committee Reports -

Yearbook - April Cockburn reported that our cost will be $10.26/book. Last year we sold 179 books at $12 and 31 books at $15 for a total of 210 books, including 12 that were bought to be donated. The presale due date this year will be December 14th. Yearbooks will be $12 before presale and $15 after presale. Cover contest due date will be December 10th and the winners will be given gift cards. April also needs cardstock for the pictures for 5th graders.

Box Tops - Deadline for the first collection was today

Fun Run - Over $14,000 was raised

Fall Book Fair - Marnie Kocher reported that we netted $5,200 and we have $2,400 Scholastic Dollars which we can use in the Spring

Marianna's - was a success

Shade - Steve Williamson reported that we are just waiting on the audit

Restaurant Nights - Some ideas brought up were a breakfast, Panera, lunch that teacher's could order on January 21st (inservice day)

November 17th - Chipotle, flyer is needed
Jan or **Feb** -maybe Five Guys
March - looking for ideas
April - Dairy Queen
May - Sweet Frog

Movie Nights - First movie was a success. Next movie night will be November 30th and the movie will be “Sherlock Gnomes”

Kindergarten Connection - moving forward

Hospitality - There will be a Holiday Luncheon planned in December

5th Grade Party - Cori Kalupson reported that they can always use more volunteers. They are currently looking into fundraising.

Exploration Fair - Kari Williamson may possibly co-chair with Heather Duncan. It will take place on the evening of Thursday, February 21st. Friday classes would walk through. Bake sale in support of the School Wide Behavior Program will most likely take place. Some ideas brought up include Discovery Space, who require a 2 hour minimum, Shaver’s Creek, Milipore Sigma with the Curiosity Cube, PA Game Commission, American Farm Bureau and the Purple Plow, Juniata College and their science lab on wheels, the Pasto Museum, and human powered toys.

Library Events - Marnie Kocher is planning a book fair at Barnes and Noble on December 8th to support the library and buying books. Dustin thanked the PTO for the funds provided for the Family Book Club for Grades 3-5.

Spirit Wear - Marcie Rockey would like a new chair for next year. Cash and carry items are still available.

Helping Hands - Tiffany Meyers is in the initial stages of the Holiday Donation Drive. Tiffany suggested we email the entire PTO to get donations and help.

New Business -

School Supplies - lots of ideas were brought up regarding school supplies. It was suggested that for some teachers it is a hardship to pay upfront. Receipts will have to be discussed further due to the non-profit status. Sarah Dwyer also suggested that maybe specials teachers should also get school supply money. Tracy suggested that teachers put together a tentative educated idea of what each grade level needs. Stipends were also discussed but not finalized.

Co-President - Anyone interested in the open co-president position should let any PTO board member know

Announcements - Meeting adjourned at 7:46 PM. Next meeting will be December 6, 2018 from 6:30-7:30 PM in the library. Motion for dismissal was made by Andrea Snyder and seconded by Sarah Dwyer. Motion was unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,
Tanya Labosky 11/5/2018