



September 21, 2023

6:00 PM

PTO Meeting Minutes

- Call to Order: Called to order at 6:07
- Welcome & Introductions:
 - Mr. Williams-Principal
 - Mrs. Carr- Assistant Principal
 - President-Kim Phillips
 - Vice-President-LaToya Smith
 - Treasurer-Acurra Taylor
 - Secretary-Melissa Sargent
- Principal's Report:
 - Energy bus for Kids will be the book for One School, One Book
 - Invited staff to join the energy bus
 - Destination Success
 - Positive thinking, positive momentum
 - Stokes P.R.I.D.E.
 - PBIS team update:
 - In school-semester celebration in January
 - Carnivals over the last two years; will happen again.
 - Students earn their way into the carnival through the Stokes P.R.I.D.E. rubric.
 - The monthly PBIS calendar will be sent home for October.
 - Raffle day will be next week.
 - Prizes change quarterly
 - Extra recess
 - Hot chocolate
 - Lunch Bunch
 - Teachers have a reward system in the classroom as well.

- Calming zones and zones of regulations to help reduce the number of classroom instructional time that is lost.
 - Open house:
 - September 26th
 - First and Second Grade: 6:00-6:30
 - Third through Fifth Grade: 6:45-7:15
 - Fall Picture Day- September 29, 2023
 - Homecoming-October 6
 - Treasurer's Report
 - Mrs. Taylor:
 - Touch base, PTO at Stokes is special because we have a checking and savings account.
 - Savings-\$11,052.07
 - Checking-\$17,133.50
 - Funds supplement funds for teachers, recognitions, and field trips. These funds are raised through fundraisers. They help to pay for things that the school is not allowed to pay for.
 - Activities from last year
 - Dance
 - Trunk or Treat
 - We want to be able to give students experiences and the funds from PTO help with this.
 - \$6,500 transferred from the CD account to the savings account.
 - Proposed Budget 2023-2024 SY:
 - The budget for field trips helps to offset the cost of field trips.
 - Motion to approve by a parent at 6:14 p.m., seconded by a parent at 6:14 p.m.
 - Proposal: Change the previous teacher reimbursement criteria from a teacher who comes to one meeting to receive \$75 reimbursements, motion to change from attending a meeting to helping out at an event.
 - Proposal suggestion: form to fill out for this event rule change.
 - Motion for approval at 6:17 p.m., motion approved by second parent.
- Upcoming Events

- Trunk or Treat:
 - Have parents drop off candy beforehand in order to allow us to replenish if a candy bowl gets low.
 - Sign-ups will be sent out in Wednesday folders.
 - Sign up for logistic purposes.
 - Asked for local businesses, possibly asking for clubs from high school.
 - Reach out to businesses from CR Pride Day.
 - Possibly do a 50/50 raffle during the event.
 - Expected Date:
 - 10/26/2023 from 5:30-7:00
- Paint Night 10/19/23 (Mrs. Anthony)
 - Meet at 5:45 for the PTO meeting and then paint night at 6:15-8.
 - \$10 per family or person will be determined at a later date.
 - A \$10 fee will go towards the purchase of Kiln.
 - Change time for next meeting from 6:00 p.m. to 5:45 p.m., motion approved.
 - Motion to approve PTO funds from 2022-2023 reimbursement of \$325 set aside for art teacher towards offsetting cost of supplies. Motion was approved at 6:28.
- Fundraiser
 - 99 Pledges fundraiser
 - Students win certain prizes depending on the amount of money that they were able to raise.
 - Prizes last year got \$100, donations from other businesses helped to pay for our other prizes.
 - Push back to after the New Year in order to make sure that we are not conflicting with schedules and other schools.
 - Table for December PTO meeting.
- Other ideas?
 - Board Game event
 - Making sure that we are as inclusive as possible.
 - Fitness Dance class
- Open Forum
 - The budget comes from the checking account.

- A good ending spot is \$20,000, we were at \$17,000
 - Auction as a fundraiser
 - Subcommittee if possible.
 - Find incentives to increase level of attendance
 - Chick-Fil-A or Texas Roadhouse dine-out night in the fall since the 99 Pledges fundraiser was pushed back.
 - 50/50 possibly at that event as well
 - Possibly do multiple if needed
 - Encourage staff to order
 - Game night
 - Movie night
 - Mrs. Lenoir-looking to buy a few flutes and drumsticks. Would PTO be willing to help with the \$91.20?
 - Motion made at 7:04 pm, motion approved at 7:05 pm.
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- Call to adjourn the meeting at 7:06 pm

Next meeting will be October 19, 2023 @ 5:45 p.m.

***Suggestion: PTO Officers at the front of the room, possibly get a table, so our backs aren't to those who are here for the meeting.**