

WINDOM ELEMENTARY PTO MEETING MINUTES 4/4/19

Attendees: J. Smith, A. Finbar, J. Robison, C. Shields, K. Dash, L. Murphy, P. Johnson, L. Haggerty, S. Besecker, J. Milliken, J. Spoto.

March PTO Meeting Minutes approved by L. Haggerty, K. Dash.

PTO Correspondence

Miss Kulczyk's class made a photo card thanking the PTO for the books they purchased with the B&N gift card they won from the Box Tops Contest. Mrs. Nemec's class wrote thank you notes for their field trip to the Jungle Book at the Theatre of Youth. The 4th grade class signed their names on a handmade card thanking the PTO for the Jungle Book field trip to the Theatre of Youth.

Reports

Treasurer: Kevin Dash – Report dated 4/4/19 for March 2019

Monthly Treasurer's Report for March 2019			
	Checking Account		Total
Beginning Balance	\$10,290.58	\$3,456.71	\$13,747.29
Income			
Pep Days	\$390.00		
Spring Fundraiser	\$13,289.55		
Divided Transfer from savings	\$0.27		
Author Visit	\$1,263.00		
Field Trip - 1st Grade	\$721.50		
Field Trip - 4th Grade	\$24.00		
Family Movie Night	\$118.00		
Misc. Fundraiser - Tops	\$56.28		
TOTAL INCOME	\$15,862.60	\$0.59	\$15,863.19
Expense			
Box Tops	\$47.66		
Pep Days	\$390.00		
Author Visit	\$4,104.44		
Field Trip - 1st Grade	\$975.00		
Field Trip - 4th Grade	\$32.00		
Family Movie Night	\$200.00		
Musical	\$660.00		
Transportation Expenses	\$405.41		
TOTAL EXPENSE	\$6,814.51	\$0.27	\$6,814.78
Ending Balance	\$19,338.67	\$3,457.03	\$22,795.70
Net Income (Loss)			\$9,048.41

Principal: Mr. Johnson – Grades 3-5 ELA testing took place April 2-3 with 2 days of make-ups. The opt-out rate for this year is unknown at this time. Grades 3-5 Math testing will be May 1-2. There will be a relocation drill on Thu. May 9th @ 9:30 a.m. when staff and students will walk to the Windom Community Church on W. Abbott Grove. Everyone will be bused back to school to allow Transportation to participate in this drill as well. This allows the school to practice safety procedures in case of a real evacuation. Mr. Johnson and Mr. Bosinski (Buildings & Grounds Dept) is assessing the exact area of the playground in which the new equipment will be installed. An exact install date is not yet determined, but it will be this spring. National Bike to School Day is on Wed., May 8th. Kids can walk or bike with their parents to and from school. Bikes can be locked up in the courtyard area.

Teacher: Mrs. Besecker reporting – Mrs. Hutschenreuter is excited to let everyone know that the Boys Run On and Girls on the Run programs are active this spring at Windom. Mrs. Schaffstall thanks everyone for attending McTeacher Night, from which \$900 was raised. The Wellness Committee will be using the earnings for kids

scholarships for afterschool programs like Boys Run On for example. There was discussion about renaming the Mother's Day Plant Sale to accommodate different living and personal situations of individuals. There was a motion to change the name of the sale to "Spring Plant Sale" and the motion carried. This takes effect immediately, so the Spring Plant Sale is the same as the Mother's Day Plant Sale. There was discussion about how to convey that a child's early dismissal time (specified in the home to school note) must be adhered to. More specifically, if a parent shows up 15 minutes prior to the time written in the note, the student will not be released until the specified time. There will be a reminder sign at the front desk, as well as a half sheet reminder that will go home.

PTO Updates

Niagara Candy Sale (Spring Fundraiser) – The PTO gets a 52.25% discount on the candy orders submitted, therefore we earned about \$6900 from this fundraiser. Candy orders have been distributed to families.

Square 1 Art – Of all the student artwork completed school-wide, there was a 30% product purchase rate amounting to \$6149 worth of products sold. Product will be in on the April 11th and the pickup date is being determined either on April 15th or 16th from 3:30-5:30 p.m. If a parent is comfortable having the merchandise sent home with one of their children, a waiver form may be filled out prior to delivery day.

Upcoming/Current Events

Spring Plant Sale – *Please note event name change from Mother's Day Plant Sale* It will take place from May 9-10 in Mrs. Lew's gym, with setup on Wednesday, May 8th. Due to the relocation drill on the morning of May 9th, student shopping will begin at 11 a.m. that day. Up to 3 plants per student can be purchased for \$1 each. Look in MSA for volunteer signup info as we get closer.

Spring Book Fair – Popular kid titles will be communicated to Larry Silver so that they can be well stocked for the shopping event. The book fair coincides with our Ice Cream Social and Art Show. Please sign up in MSA to volunteer.

Ice Cream Social – The chairs are looking at invoices from last year's event to determine how much to order for this year. Many volunteers are needed for this. Please signup in MSA beginning in May.

Hot Dog Lunch – Takes place on June 7th. This will be the last year of the lunch. There was discussion about the reason for elimination and it's because it does not comply with lunch requirement standards in school, i.e. a balanced lunch. For this year, we will incorporate fruit, such as watermelon, to make it more balanced. Volunteers are needed to help serve the students.

Other Items

Chairperson Openings 2019-20 – Please visit the Windom PTO Events page on the Windom PTO website to see current openings and a description of each. Feel free to contact an officer for more information.

Spring Assembly – Nickel City Reptiles, on a date TBD, but in early May after state Math testing concludes.

PTO Co-President Jaclyn Robison's son will be working on his Eagle Scout project at Windom, which will be improving the courtyard outdoor space. He'll be working in cooperation with the district's building and grounds crew.

Kevin Dash is the recipient of the PTO Volunteer of the Year Award for 2018-19. Congratulations, Kevin!

Meeting adjourned at 4:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Jennifer Spoto, PTO Secretary