PTO Meeting Minutes
September 9, 2024
Start Time: 5:30 PM

In attendance: Lenea Ortiz, Cassie Brusuelas, Adriana Perez, DeAnna Salas, Stacey Ayala, Claudia Apodaca, Danielle Pacheco, Laura Holguin, Josh Ferguson, Brianna Dutro, Lauren Berg, Heather Martinez, Vanessa Avila , Eric McKinney, Brittany Ferguson

Old Business:

- Lenea made a motion to approve the minutes from April. DeAnna seconded. Minutes approved
- Treasurer's report: Sarah isn't here so we will get that information for next month.
- Ms. Ortiz requested t-shirts for tie dying and they will be used to teach lab safety. They will be used all year long for events and field trips. Up to $250.00 was approved. We already ordered them and spent $231.71.
- Staff appreciation week
    - Went well. Everyone got massages and goodie bags.
- Field trips last year
    - 4th grade went to Bent's Fort and the Kiva. They also went to Skate City and a park.
    - 6th grade went to Boondock's in Denver
    - 5th grade did Skate City and the planetarium
    - 3rd grade went to the zoo

Elect officers for 2024-2025 School Year

- Adriana and Sarah are stepping down
    - Lauren nominated herself to be Vice President. Lenea seconded
    - Lenea made a motion for DeAnna to be President. Adriana seconded.
    - Lenea was nominated for secretary. Adriana seconded
    - Adriana nominated Vanessa for treasurer. DeAnna seconded.
- **President: DeAnna Salas**
- **Vice President: Lauren Berg**
- **Secretary: Lenea Ortiz**
- **Treasurer: Vanessa Avila**

New Business:

- Teacher Request
    - Cassie Brusuelas 6th grade - asking for up to $600.00 for a trip to The Space Foundation Discovery Center in Denver on October 30.
        - 6th grade is planning a couple of field trips. One is the sand dunes and they are free. The Space Foundation Discovery Center has scholarships and we were approved for 50% off 40 students then 5 staff members for free. The bus is also paid for. The total amount is $800.00. We got

$400.00 off. Total: $520.00. They have centers and students work in groups. October 30.
        - DeAnna made a motion to approve up to $550 for 6th grade to go to the Space Center. Lenea seconded. Trip approved.
    - Creede Repertory Theater
        - Claudia is asking for money to take the kids to the Creede Repertory Theater in Rocky Ford. All of the kids get to go this year and they did give us two slots so we can all attend comfortably. She is requesting $840.00. They did raise the price to $2 per kid. September 30 and October 1.
            - Lenea made a motion to approve up to $900.00 for Creede.
            - Adriana seconded.
    - Pawsitive Paws for the year
        - Lenea is asking for $320.00 for the pawsitive paws drawings.
            - Adriana made a motion to approve up to $400.00 for the prizes.
            - Lauren seconded.
            - Lenea will go get them this weekend.
- October Count
    - Claudia mentioned the primary school does an incentive to get kids to attend on October count day. This year they are getting popsicles and popcorn donated. Throughout the day they'll get popcorn around lunch and popsicles at second recess. It's themed around "pop" and they will also have a pop dance party.
    - October count is October 1st.
    - We can do popcorn and a movie day with pajamas.
    - At conferences, we can ask parents to sign up for drinks/snacks for movie day
    - Claudia will make a flyer and do a facebook post
- Fall Festival
    - Friday, October 25th.
    - It will be run the same but it will be on Friday from 11-2.
    - People liked the setup last year where there were some things inside the school
    - There were two complaints. One was that we didn't have enough drinks and second was no frosting on the cinnamon rolls.
    - We will still do a shift sign-up so everyone can have a chance to enjoy the festivities with their families.
    - Things to figure out:
        - Is it going to be a partnership or is the intermediate school just going to run it?
        - Are we asking for donations from businesses or paying for the prizes?
            - Scooters, tablets, gaming systems, smaller prizes, gift cards, etc.
        - Maybe instead of giving pumpkins, we can go to the pumpkin patch and let kids pick a pumpkin. Stacey is going to call and see if we can do that.
    - Danielle will make a flyer made for the Fall Festival.
    - We are going to ask college students and other groups if they can help as well.

Financial Report:

- None

Next Meeting: October 8, 5:30
Meeting Adjourned at: 6:28pm