

**Board Members:** Matt Liston, President; Cheri Shoup, President-Elect; Deb Corrao, Treasurer; Joy Neville, Secretary

**Welcome and** call to order at 6:00 pm.

**Introductions:** Board members and meeting attendees.

**Review of September and October minutes:** Buzz book sales was approximately 120 for September.

**Principal's Report:** Dr. Chaussee is here to answer any questions. Discussion with the CFO went well. Ceiling mounted projectors are one cost and the wiring is another cost. The kindergarten teachers like the room they have without a cart. The teachers project worksheets, videos, pretty much everything. The kids can share what they are learning or doing. We have projectors for the classrooms it would be the cost of mounting them. The cost in labor was \$1,600 when it was last looked at which was double the estimate.

**Treasurer's Report:** Walkathon numbers are final. We made the updates to hospitality. Cash rewards still successful. Another \$500 came in from Bakers.

**Committee Updates:**

- **Movie Nights (Maureen Kitchen)**
  - Friday, February 1<sup>st</sup>. Doors will open at 6:30 Movie to start around 6:45.
- **Youth Frontiers (Ashley Liston, Matt Liston):** Event was successful; with the difficulty finding volunteers, volunteers cancelling with little or no notice, and increased costs of YF and the venue we need to discuss if this is something we want to continue in 2019. Could the church provide more volunteers if given enough notice?
- **Walk-A-Thon (Erika Rooney) No report.**
- **Fifth Grade Farewell (Julie Shaner) No update.**
- **Yearbook (Jamie Diamond):** We just got the class pictures. We are having a meeting this weekend to show how to make a page. We need pictures for the yearbook so please submit them. The instructions to submit a photo are in the gator tales.
- **Cash Rewards/Incentive Programs (Robin Mattes) No report.**
- **Social/Welcome Committee (Liz Guinn) Need ideas for the snowflake breakfast.**
  - No report.
- **Bricks (front entry):** No report.
- **Buzz Book (Laura Hensley, Jaime Diamond):** We have the paper copies and will pass out soon. We had 152 purchased total. We are not going to break even. We need a graphic designer as it was hard to format it this year. A graphic designer would be nice to have for next year to help with the layout. Do we have anyone who knows how to use the software that is used on the Buzz Book.
- **Fun night (Cara Robbins):** We are half way done. We had 35 people for First grade fun night. Second and third grade we had 86. Thank you Mrs. Hale for coming to help. The next fun night is the 13<sup>th</sup> for Fourth and Fifth grades. The kindergarten fun night is December 11<sup>th</sup>.
- **Dancing Classrooms.** The fifth graders will dance for the fourth graders. Twelve students will compete on the 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 to 7:30. November 20<sup>th</sup> is the program to watch the kids dance at 8:25 to 9:20 in the gym.
- **Original artwork (Debbie Smith):** No report.
- **Classroom Party Volunteer Coordinator (Carri Dyer):** Halloween parties were a success!
- **Hospitality (Erin Barry and Stephanie Ludwig):** Dinners went well. First staff recognition date is coming up and we are ready for that.

- **Volunteer Recruitment and Recognition Committee (Carri Dyer, Cara Robbins):** We are trying to recruit. We will send another email to encourage people to volunteer. Working on having welcome packets for new families.
- **Educational Grant and Scholarship Committee:** The grants are in. There was an application to fill out to get supplies to support curriculum in the classroom. Our budget is \$4,000 and we are \$5,097.52. Motion was made to grant all of the applications and seconded for this year. (flexible seating, play aways, storage, be kind idea, games, work stations for parents)

**Announcements:**

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**New Business:** Chad Meisgeier, Chief Financial Officer for Millard was here to discuss the walking track. Questions were raised about the Stadium versus our walking track. The struggle with 25 elementaries is that we have six Title I elementaries. We have a significant difference between the top 10 and bottom 10 elementaries. We also have 7 or 8 schools that are high enough poverty that they can't raise money. The foundation gives to all 25. We have trouble keeping up with basic repairs with our building fund budget. Our last bond that passed we have enough for 2019 and 2020 and then we are out. It is the upkeep like paint, carpet, major repairs. We are putting 4% into building fund which is about four million and projected is around 10 million just for upkeep. The two big factors are visual and the anticipated maintenance that goes along with the project. Talk about the fitness equipment was brought up or other options would be evaluated on a case by case basis. He would be happy to look at some options that the PTO is looking at doing for the school. One of the goals Chad has for special projects was to get the wait time down. It has been almost three years and is down to about a year. The problem is we have a projects person and keeping up with 35 buildings is a tough job. They are working on getting better on approving projects.

We would like to get some ideas what other schools are doing that could possibly be approved for us to do for kids outside on the playground. If we make changes to the playground we would have to make changes for ADA.

We asked about ceiling mounted projectors as a possibility. Right now, it is still being evaluated and Chad would be willing to look at and possibly approve. Chad will look at our ideas and let us know if it is possible for our January meeting. If there are other thoughts we can email Chad. Any other suggestions Dr. Chaussee can email Chad.

Other ideas:

PTO pay for the classroom parties

Circuit training equipment

Connect the sidewalks we already have to be able to walk around the building

Email any other ideas to the PTO website and they will be forwarded to Dr. Chaussee and to Chad.

**Adjournment:** 8:00

**Next Meeting is Tuesday, January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2019.**