

Board Members: Jennifer Thorndyke (not present), President; Marcy Saniuk, President Elect; Jon Warren, Treasurer; Molly Warren Secretary

Welcome and call to order at 6:31pm

Introductions: Board members and meeting attendees.

Principal's Report:

- Dance-A-Thon Update at School
- Dance-A-Thon parent area
- Great attendance at our Dinner Nights (Taphouse, oops!)
- Conferences coming up!
- \$ for Aaron Reynolds ? \$1,700 for ½
- Volunteers for Halloween Party (up to classroom teacher)
 - Party 1:45-2:40
 - Parade 2:40-3:10

*Parade will be held outdoors and a map will be distributed to teachers/staff

Treasurer's Report:

- Boosterthon funds are coming in
- Teacher wish list items due date 10/31
- Crossing guard 156th street is receiving monthly payment
- MPS foundation Scholarships: only scholarship has been paid out for 21-22 school year. Elena will follow up with the foundation to make sure both scholarships are taken care of.
- Hospitality Committee has received funds for some of their committee needs

Secretary Report:

- The PTO Quarterly Newsletter will go out in October in Gator Tales
- Committee Chair contact info needs to be updated (emails/phone numbers)

Committee Updates:

- **Movie Nights (David Falke):**
 - January TBD
- **Dance-A-Thon (Jennifer Thorndyke) :**
 - Parents are welcome to watch the day of the event. Each grade level will have a 35 minute window.
 - Volunteers needed to serve on a Dance-A-Thon committee for 23-24 school year to help seek sponsorship, organize prizes, etc.
- **Fifth Grade Farewell (Lea Coffman):**
 - Date: May 18th at Kiewitt.
 - 4th Grade parents needed to help? Is there a sign up for this? In the past an email has gone out to the 4th grade families.

- **Yearbook (Jackie Ryba):**
 - Price will increase by \$2 to \$16.49 on November 1st. I plan to create a list of students who have a yearbook ordered and include it in the Oct 21st GatorTales and on the Abbott PTO Facebook page, along with a reminder of the price increase.
 - 5th grade dedications are due Nov 4th. Will ask teachers to remind parents at conferences in October.
- **Cash Rewards/Incentive Programs:**
 - We have received \$999 from Bakers, TAGG, Amazon, etc.
 - Share out info in Gator Tales on how to enroll under “Grace Abbott” so the school can receive a portion of the sales.
- **Social/Welcome Committee (Kristy Gotschall):**
 - Pancake Breakfast Update: Still have not heard anything back from The Flapjack Guys. Will probably need to start exploring other providers.
- **Bricks (Sarah Ruttle) :**
 - Still trying to get in touch with the engraver on the bricks
 - Waiting on last year’s bricks
 - An invoice will be sent once the bricks are done
- **Buzz Book (Kim Parker and Julie Calvin)**
 - No report
- **Fun nights (Cara Robbins):**
 - December 8th
 - Could use volunteers ahead of time
 - Save milk cartons ahead of time
- **Dancing Classrooms:**
 - \$5,000 tentative cost
 - Program is for 5th Grade only
 - Meredith has tried to make contact to follow up for 22-23 school year
- **Original artwork (Brittney Ortiz/Natalie Gray):**
 - It is about time to reserve a spot with Original Works. If you wait too long there will not be an opening. If you need help with getting a timeline set up let Debbie Smith know
- **Classroom Party Volunteer Coordinator (Kristy Gotschall):**
 - Classroom Parties / Room Parents Update: Room parents have been found for all classrooms, and they’ve been sent information about the Halloween party on Friday, October 28th.
 - Will there be a costume parade, as there has been in the past? Yes

Will room parents be provided with any funds for the parties? Meredith will follow up on Halloween party details within the week.

- **Hospitality (Marta Thomas and Sarah Ruttle):**

- We have meals planned for fall conferences 10/6 and 10/11. If you signed up, remember to drop off (most) items at the office by 4pm this Thursday 10/6. There's still time to sign up or make a donation! Link to signup is posted to the PTO Facebook page.

- **Educational Grant and Scholarship Committee (Elena Nieto):**

- Meredith and Jon W. will follow up with Elena on Scholarship Committee

- **Gator Bash**

- April 27th
- MNHS entertainment
- Food donated for PTO
- Volunteers needed

Announcements: Treasurer update: Penalty assessed for 2019 taxes

New Business: None

Adjournment: 7:34pm

Next Meeting is Tuesday, November 1st @ 6:30pm