# PTO Meeting Minutes November 7, 2017

#### In attendance

Ryan Welnetz, Kristen Verhaagh, Ashley Balck, Lauren Cornette, Mark Swim, Tiffanie Haglund, Bree Francour, Michelle Krueger, Carrie Kleinschmidt, Teri Athey

Excused: Kristin Collar

Kristen Verhaag called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

## Secretary's Report-Lauren Cornette

PTO minutes were published in the October 11, 2017 newsletter. Tiffanie Haglund motioned to accept the minutes and Ashley Balck seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried. Secretary's minutes were approved and accepted.

<u>Treasurer's Report</u>-Kristen Verhaag Reported for Kristin Collar (excused)

Kristin handed out overall financials.

Money Market = \$ 1,941.37

Checking = \$16,019.00

Mark Swim motioned to accept the report. Teri Athey seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried. The Treasurer's report was accepted.

#### Principal's Report-Ryan Welnetz

Ryan demonstrated two virtual reality devices that are available for students to use. The first device was headpiece that uses a split screen style which can be used with your smartphone. There are on-line apps that can be purchased to use this devise. There are many brand-names for virtual reality devices and can vary in prices. Tonight's demonstration Ryan used the Discovery app in which members were able to have a underwater experience.

The second device, HCT Vibe, was purchased for Suamico elementary, is more interactive with not only the headgear but hand controllers as well. Again, members could have an underwater experience this time on a shipwreck.

It is important to expose our school aged children to the virtual reality as this is the projected future that they will have to use virtual reality for jobs and or job training.

Unfortunately, there is only one devise for all the children. It would be ideal that there would be enough devises for a classroom of children, so they could participate in an experience such as a virtual reality field trip.

The goal would be to work with the district to make such purchases in the future.

## Vice President's Report - Ashley Balck

This year's classroom Halloween parties went very well. Ashely did ask the teachers for feedback for how they felt the parties went or what could be done different to make things better. A few suggestions came back to maybe not have a Halloween party as it is so close to the Family Fun Night and parent teacher conferences. There is just so much going at that time. Another suggestion was to move the party to later in the school year or even an end of the year party. Still up for discussion if there will be a change in date for future parties.

Holiday Concert is December 7<sup>th</sup>. Looking for volunteers to help hang the student's artwork after school on Tuesday December 5<sup>th</sup>. Also, will need help taking down the artwork after the program on December 7<sup>th</sup>. Just as a reminder there will be Kwik Trip cards available for sale during the concerts, asking if anyone would like to volunteer to help with those sales.

The classroom assignments for the auction baskets have been decided and a letter has gone out to each student informing families of the upcoming even as well as requesting themed item donations or monetary donation.

## President's Report - Kristen VerHaagh

For Family Fun Night, a total of 406 tickets were sold. The event was \$13.97 over budget. Overall, the event was very successful, and everyone had a lot of fun.

The book fair, which was held during parent teacher conferences provided each of the teachers \$85.00 to spend on books for their classrooms.

PTO By-Laws updated by Mark Swim. Attached you will find a copy of the PTO by-laws. The final by-laws will be voted on during the Dec. 5<sup>th</sup> meeting.

## **Committee Reports**

Labels/Box Tops (Teri Athey)- A total of 7,397 box tops were submitted from the fall box top drive. Each grade was in competition for who could collect the most. The first-place winners was the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade followed by 4<sup>th</sup> grade in 2<sup>nd</sup> place. The second graders in 3<sup>rd</sup> place and then 1<sup>st</sup> grade and kindergarteners. So far today the box tops have provided \$956.70 towards our goal of \$1000.00. Keep up the good work collecting those box tops.

Last collection date for Campbells soup labels will be January 2<sup>nd</sup>. This will be the very last time we are able to redeem. Those monies will be used to purchase recess equipment

\*\*A 'Thank You' will be sent to the Brown County Library -Howard Branch for selecting Suamico Elementary for their submission of box tops and soup labels towards our fall drive

Kwik Trip: Gift cards will be available for sale at the Holiday Concert on December 7th

October Book Fair-A dispute on a \$15 charge. Committee will investigate what will be on the credit card statement if purchases are made with a credit card. Will update parents when a determination is finalized.

Fall Fundraiser (Mark Swim)-Everything went very smoothly with organization and distribution of all the items.

Hospitality-A few teachers sent 'Thank you' cards for the food provided for the conferences. There was plenty to go around. Those cards were passed around for everyone to read.

Family Fun Night in October-As a reminder Family Fun Night purchases with credit cards will appear as "square sale" on credit card statements. Will include this as a reminder for the next event

Auction- Please consider attending the Sweetheart Auction meetings. We are still looking for any volunteers to help with this great event. The dates of the meetings are as follows:

There will be additional Sweet Heart Auctions Meetings. These meetings will be held at Townline at 7pm. The dates for these meetings are as follows: Tuesday December 12 2018 Tuesday January 16 2018.

~There will also be basket assembly, booklet and auction prep times at Suamico Elementary at 6-8pm. The room will be open to anyone who can come and help prepare for the auction with gift basket assembly, booklet layout and other auction prep needs. You are welcome to come and help as often as possible. There is always a task to help out on. These dates include: Wednesday January 3<sup>rd</sup>, Wednesday January 10<sup>th</sup>, Tuesday January 16<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday January 17<sup>th</sup>, Tuesday January 23<sup>rd</sup>, Wednesday January 24<sup>th</sup>, and Wednesday January 31<sup>st</sup>.

Figuros Pizza Sale for Conferences-Final sale numbers to come later

Holiday Wreath/Poinsettia Sale—The announcement was sent out via email. All orders are due by November 21<sup>st</sup>. On-line purchasing is available. The wreaths will be delivered to the student's home On December 4<sup>th</sup>. The poinsettias will be available for pick up on December 7th

### **Announcements**

PTO By-Laws to be ratified at the December PTO meeting

Next Meeting December 5, 2017 at 6:30pm in the library

<u>Adjourn-Motion</u> to adjourn was made at 7:25pm pm by Teri Athey, Tiffanie Haglund seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lauren Cornette, PTO Secretary