

Liberty Pines Academy PTO minutes

September 4, 2018

1. **Welcome/call to order:** President Melissa Kramer called meeting to order at 10:02 am
2. **Attendance:** Traci Hemingway, Bre Willman, Stephanie Cross, Erin Gulden, Melissa Kramer, Christy Beebe, Cathy Eng, Melissa Woody, Cathy Richter, Rachael Bunnell, Jennifer Hirsch, Erin Bragg
3. **Approval of minutes:** Christy Beebe motioned to approve last month's minutes, Stephanie Cross seconded the motion, and all were in favor.
4. **Sunshine chair:** "If you see someone without a smile, give them one of yours."

a. of the month recognition: Stephanie asked for any suggestion on the best way to get the word out regarding "of the month" nominations. Some suggestions were email blasts, newsletter, Facebook, and sending the information to the tv production class to be put on the morning announcements.

5. Principal and officer's reports

a. Principal's report: Mrs. Hemingway is happy to report that LPA is officially fully staffed. The new STEM elective is going well and the kids are loving it. Our STEM teacher received a grant and was able to purchase some cool things such as owl pellets for the kids to dissect. The new elementary computer class is also going well. Our new art teacher is amazing and the students are loving her.

b. President: Melissa Kramer reports that the artist we want to use is available in November. She will do positive affirmation art the PTO wants to put on the walls of the school. Mrs. Hemingway says she would like the big piece to go on the wall near the lunchroom across from the bathrooms. The other pieces will be placed periodically down the main hallway.

Chick fil a wants to come on campus for lunch once a week for our middle school students. Unfortunately it is not a possibility at this time. Other middle schools in the county do this, but because we are a K-8 school we still fall under elementary guidelines.

c. 1st VP Fundraising: Bre Willman reported that our Firehouse sub fundraiser night is coming up on Sept 12 from 5pm-9pm. Firehouse says we cannot leave flyers on the counter or have high school students passing them out in the parking lot. However there is a digital flyer and if you show it on your phone they will accept it. Online orders apply if you pay in cash when you pick up your order.

The Icemen game is Nov 3. It is \$20 a ticket. \$5 of that will come back to LPA. It is Marvel night at the game so it should be lots of fun. All tickets purchased will be sitting in the same section. The day before the game the Icemen will send their mascot to school to greet kids as they arrive in the carline and to be on the morning announcements. In addition the Icemen are donating an inflatable to our school carnival and will send their mascot to that as well.

d. 2nd VP Membership: Cathy R reported for Robyn that she has \$6,854.39 in membership dues so far. That is already \$354.30 over her goal.

e. Treasurer: Melissa Woody reported that we received \$10,181.12 in income/donations, Our expenses were \$9.99, leaving us with a bank balance of \$31,279.24

f. Secretary: Erin B has nothing new to report. She is still locked out of the PTO webpage. Mrs. Hemingway has a form for her to sign and hopefully we will have access soon.

6. Committee Chair Reports

a. Book Fair: Cathy reported that they were issues with the cash registers and at the end of the event our numbers were not matching up with the cash. Scholastic is working on figuring it out. In the meantime we have an extra \$1368 that PTO will hold in their account until the issue is resolved. In the end though we had \$17,152 in sales, a little less than last year but still a big success.

b. Boosterthon: Nothing new to report at this time.

c. Minigrants: Melissa Woody will email the team leaders with each teacher's total.

d. Room parents: Jen reports that the room parent meeting went well. They had a good turn out. The biggest change this year is that Jen will send out all the emails to families instead of room parents forwarding them.

e. Spirit Wear: Cathy R reported that the web store officially closed yesterday. She will continue to sell whatever stock she has at various events throughout the year. Field trip shirts have been ordered and they totaled \$7226.

f. Taxslayer Bowl: Nothing at this time

g. Wrapping paper: Erin G reported that the fundraiser will start on Sept 18 and money will be due on Sept 28th.

7. Old Business- none

8. New Business- Jenny our new box top coordinator was introduced. Bre W said there will be a carnival committee meeting at her house on Oct 8th at 630.

9. Next meeting: Oct 2nd 10 am

10. Adjourned: Melissa Kramer adjourned meeting 10:53am