

## LIBERTY PINES ACADEMNY PTO MINUTES

January 8, 2019

**1. Welcome/call to order:** Melissa Kramer called meeting to order at 10:04 am

**2. Attendance:** Cathy Richter, Robyn Cebulko, Heather Gilbert, Christy Beebe, Melissa Woody, Traci Hemingway, Melissa Kramer, Melinda Howell, Bre Willman, Rachael Bunnell, Erin Bragg

**3. Approval of minutes:** Robyn motioned to approve Minutes from December's PTO meeting. Erin seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Bre motioned to approve the minutes from Decembers General PTO meeting, Melisa W seconded the motion and all were in favor.

**4. Sunshine chair:** "Keep your face to the sunshine and you can't see the shadow."-Helen Keller

### **5. Principal and officer's reports**

**a. Principal's report:** Mrs. Hemingway reported that she is praying the government shutdown will end before next week's DC trip. However, they have an alternate plan in place in case it is still shutdown. A letter will go out to parents today letting them know.

Last year SAC purchased a program called Heart math. IT has installed it on all the teachers' new computers and training will begin tomorrow. MRs H is excited to see how the program helps students. Studies show emotional and mental wellbeing increase in 6-9 weeks using this program. She explained that teachers will do it daily for 3 minutes after the morning announcements.

**b. President:** Melissa K reported that the Boosterthon contract for next year has been signed. The pep rally will be November 4 and the Fun Run will take place on November 15. They will add a webpage for middle grades to collect donations that will allow them to earn a reward such as a glow party.

**c. 1<sup>st</sup> VP Fundraising:** Bre reported that Papa Murphey's spirit night will be Feb 13. In addition, they are offering an online code good for a month that may be a great option for fundraising over the summer. Our chairperson for the carnival has had to step down so Bre will take over this position. The Volunteer coordinator will be reaching out to high school groups for volunteers to help run games. Bre is also in the process of securing food trucks to be on the black top at the carnival. She reported that the Jax Icemen were happy with the participation from LPA and would like to do another game. Also they are donating a bounce house and their mascot for the school carnival. Jumbo Shrimp and Armada contacted us as well about doing fundraising. It was discussed that maybe can do one of each next year.

**d. 2<sup>nd</sup> VP Membership:** Robyn reports that she just received another \$100 in membership.

**e. Treasurer:** Melissa W reported that the previous balance was \$36,318.43 Donation and income was \$291.80 Expenses were \$26,689.26 for a current PTO balance is \$34,318.43.

**f. Secretary:** Erin read two thank you notes, one from a student and the other from Boosterthon with a gift card for the committee who organized this year's event.

## **6. Committee Chair Reports**

**a. Book Fair:** Cathy Richter reported that the Spring book fair will be May 4-9 with a kick off on the 4<sup>th</sup>. This year we will have it at Barnes and Noble. In store and online purchases will count. For the kick off night they are trying to find a local restaurant to pair with for fundraising. Sales the fall between \$1500-\$5000 will have the option for %5 back to the school or 10% towards a BN gift card for the school. Sales less than \$1500 will only have a gift card option for the school.

**b. Holiday Vendor Night-Spring Night of the Arts** will be Tuesday April 30 from 6-7:30. Vendors will start at 5:30. At 6 pm the new board members will be voted in at a general assembly PTO meeting.

**c. Hospitality- Souper Bowl:** Heather Gilbert reported that this year's event will take place on February 1<sup>st</sup> at 10 am. Last year's take away bowls and cookies donated from Chick-fil-a were a big hit so Heather will be in touch with them to see if they would be interested in donating again this year. Sign up genius will be going out this week.

**d. Teacher Appreciation:** Rachael reported that they are meeting this week. It is a Luau theme this year. She has secured Chick-fil-a for lunch and Bite a bagel will provide breakfast.

**e. LPA Scholarship:** Counselors have the forms, deadline is March 5

**f. Spring Carnival:** see 5c

**7. Old Business:** none

**8. New Business:** none

**9. Next meeting:** February 5 at 10 am

**10. Adjourned:** Melissa K adjourned the meeting at 11:01 am