

Liberty Pines Academy PTO Minutes

October 2, 2018

- 1. Welcome/call to order:** Robyn Cebulko (in for Melissa Kramer) called the meeting to order at 10:01 am
- 2. Attendance:** Stephanie Cross, Erin Jurgens, Laura Webb, Erin Gulden, Christy Beebe, Cathy Richter, Robyn Cebulko, Rachael Bunnell, Mindy Bartlett, Erin Bragg, Mrs. Hemingway
- 3. Approval of minutes:** Robyn asked for a motion to approve September's minutes. Cathy R motioned, Christy B seconded the motion and all present were in favor of approving the minutes.
- 4. Sunshine chair:** Stephanie shared 'Kindness in words creates confidence'

a. of the month recognition

1.volunteer: Cathy Richter received 2 nominations for her work with the book fair and spirit wear. Amanda Dougherty received a nomination for her work with the volleyball team. Bre Willman was nominated for her dedication, and Christina Welch was nominated for her work on the Boo Hoo breakfast. The PTO voted and Cathy won this month's award.

2.student: Jeevan I in 5th grade, Peyton E in 5th grade and Scarlett B in 1st grade were all nominated. This month's award goes to Jeevan I for his outstanding job as a safety patrol.

3.teacher: The following teachers were nominated Mrs. Grabb, Mrs. Raya, and Mrs. Cole. Congrats to Mrs. Grabb for being voted this month teacher of the month.

5. Principal and officer's reports

a. Principal's report: Mrs. Hemingway reports that we are almost fully staffed. One of our middle school teachers, Mrs. Townsend, took a job at a high school. Mrs. Hemingway is now interviewing for a new middle school math teacher.

The Student Advisory Council (SAC) is looking for members. They are currently planning a community leader's day for the middle grades.

b. President: Cathy R reported for Melissa K that we have 4 nominees for volunteer of the year (2017-18). The parent volunteer of the year nominees are Karen Millard and Erin Gulden. The senior volunteer of the year nominees are Juliet Clark and Gail Comier. The vote can either be made by the PTO or a school wide monkey survey. Mrs. Hemingway felt a school wide survey online would be best, one will be sent out soon.

Reminder our partner school Osceola ES is still looking for help with their fall festival if anyone is available to volunteer.

c. 1st VP Fundraising: Bre W was not in attendance. However Mrs. Hemingway shared with us her ideas for how she would like to use fundraising money this year. First, a speaker system to be placed outside under the walkways in front of the school with wireless headsets that staff can wear. This would allow them to make announcements and communicate particularly during arrival and dismissal times. This system costs approximately \$7000. Second, she would like to replace some broken

playground equipment. The spider playground on the 3-5 playground was unable to be repaired and has been removed. In addition she would like to add equipment to the k-1 playground. Thirdly, Mrs. H would like to continue updating technology in the classroom. 5th grade still needs more iPads and she would like to work on getting new laptops for the middle grades.

d. 2nd VP Membership: Robyn reported she exceeded her membership goal bringing in \$7035.

e. Treasurer: Robyn C reported for Melissa W. the balance as of 9/30/18 was \$39,627.45, donations/income \$17,920.02, expenses \$11,432.42 for a current balance of \$38,116.84.

f. Secretary: Erin B reported she can access the website again so if you have updates please let her know.

6. Committee Chair Reports

a. Blessing in a backpack-no update

b. Boosterthon- Sign up genius for volunteers is going out soon. Mrs. Hemingway is deciding on a school wide reward for meeting donation goal. The run is November 2 and t shirts have been ordered

c. Liberty Parade: is November 9, we will use the media center again this year for the veteran's breakfast. Still deciding on a gift, last year's coffee mugs were a success. Mrs. Hemingway is looking into umbrellas.

d. Minigrants: Caitlyn was not present, however it was reported that she has received everyone's wish lists and all but 3 have been ordered

e. Taxslayer Bowl: nothing to report

f. Wrapping Paper: Erin G reported that we received \$18,208 in sales. LPA receives 40% of that.

7. Old Business- Stephanie Cross asked about switching school supplies from a service to a fundraiser. It was done in the past and discussion was we should consider adding a small fee. It is a lot of work and currently the school gets nothing from it.

Bookfair update- Cathy says scholastics numbers still do not match ours. They are still working it out. In the meantime we are looking for other companies to possibly use for future book fairs.

8. New Business- nothing

9. Next meeting- November 6, 10am

10. Adjourned- Robyn adjourned meeting at 10:45am