

Washington PTO Meeting Minutes

Principal: Monica Campana

President: Kim Turner

Vice President: Kim Shovlain

Treasurer: Jill Kolb

Assistant Treasurer: Heather Buck

Secretary: Julie Benner

Monday, October 7, 2019

Meeting called to order @ 7:04 PM by Kim Turner

16 Attendees

Julie Benner

Jordyn Berardino

Amy Bethune

Heather Buck

Melanie Gromer

Jill Kolb

Meggan LaPlace

Erin Miller

Jim Miller

Swapna Purandare

Pauline Puttmann

Kelly Riley

Kim Shovlain

Jessie Thatcher

Kim Turner

Ravali Uppala

Welcome and Introductions

Principal's Update

Presidents Update

- Book Fair is 10/16, new option of eWallet where parents can offer/load money on a pre-paid account so that students can shop independently.
- Attended a meeting w/ Dr. John. Most of the meeting spend on discussion around installation of vaping detectors. Funded by a grant, Dr. John encouraged all to get their information from the school, and school sanctioned resources. Now is the time in elementary schools to be talking to your kids about vaping. Trying to stop it from happening and now helping the kids who are addicted to nicotine. Must come from parents. 10/16 the vaping age in Ohio goes up to age 21. Discussed social media part of the schools, important to get info out there. Added several dates to the calendar
 - October 18 – No school
 - October 20 – Master Facility Plan meeting, 6 pm Darby High School
 - October 23 – Inter-School PTO – meet the candidate night for

- October 24 – State of the School address w/ Dr. Marschhausen
- Nurse provided a list of clothing needed in the office for various needs. Girls 7/8 and 10s shirts and pants, boys 6-10 shirts and pants. Small donations are needed, not looking for large bags of hand me downs.

Treasurer's Report

- Spirit wear net was higher in 2019 than 2020
- Walk a Thon raised \$11,600 – close to the goal and still receiving funds
- Teacher silent auction – over \$2000 thus far
- Additional funding and disbursements added to report

Kelly Riley moved to approve the treasurer's report, Swapna Purandare second. Approved

Approval of September PTO Meeting Minutes

Kim Shovlain moved to approve 9/2019 PTO meeting minutes, Heather Buck second. Approved

Committee & Calendar Updates

ISPTO – Megan LaPlace, Kelly Riley

- Attended ISPTO Meeting on 9/18/19
- Fundraising incentives discussion, you can fund raise for a group that is at least the size of a class, there is a district policy on the district web site for review and guidance
- Hilliard Education Foundation – one big fund raising event per year (HEF – teachers can apply for grants etc.)
 - March 7th Denim and Diamonds at Heritage Golf Club
 - Staff can submit letters of intent up to \$5,000 grant, timelines for application due dates can be found on district website
- Payments – do not use Venmo, use PayPal – there is a giving fund that has been established for non-profit use. Kelly Arnold is the ISPTO treasurer and could offer support and Q&A where needed.
- Need to be sure that our most recent by-laws are updated
- Next ISPTO meeting on 10/23

Walk-A-Thon – Erinn Riley

- 15,900 in pledges
- Still waiting on funding to come in
- Huge thanks to the teachers and parents who volunteered

Fall Social and Teacher Experience Auction – Kim Turner

- Great event, fun for everyone

- Made just over \$2110 on teacher experience auction – thanks for the teachers for giving their time
- Food trucks well received and felt that we had the right amount of pizza – had 96 slides (12 pizzas), made \$200 on Pizza.
- Taco Mania food truck made \$400
- COSI boxes where a huge hit

Room Parents – Marcy Plecky

- Contacting room parents to ensure they have what needed for the year
- Not too late to be a room parent
- 10/31 - First event, harvest party and parade, still need a few details from the school on the guidelines for the parade and snacks (be sure that all costume items are labeled).
- Preparing for the silent auction at the Fun-4-All – each classroom will work on a room basket to be offered for the auction
- Prepare and execute the end of the year school party
- ASK – room parents from previous years can bring in any leftover items and will be added to the storage area AND current room parents, please visit the PTO storage area to understand what might be available to use (or reuse) for you room events.

Spirit Nights – Kim Shovlain

- October 22 – MODs Pizza all day event 25% fundraising, working on details of event (flyer, mention school etc.)
- Considering a fall event at a pumpkin patch or apple orchard – more details to come.

Movie Night – Stephanie Guthrie, Becky Melchiorre

- Recommending November 15th (back up 11/22) - Parent drop off event, staffed by Washington teachers.

Hospitality – Marlena Woodtke

- Preparing teacher conference meal (supplied by Bravo), will be seeking desert donations from parents

Garden – Jen Leopold

- Looking great – third grade takes care of it
- Boy Scout looking to do an eagle scout project in the garden to build a table that is handicapped accessible

Publishing Shop – Melanie Gromer

- Help Needed!! Looking for help in the shop or parents willing to take kits home to make books for the classes. Date and time being established to volunteer in person. Please contact Melanie @ Melanie_antes@web.de if you are interested in volunteering.

Fun-4-All – Marcy Plecky, Meggan LaPlace, Bridget Coontz

- Planning under way, looking at 2-3 new games and keeping favorites
- Volunteer shifts will be one-hour each

- Working out early planning for food
- Reaching out to Davidson to have volunteer opportunities added to Key Club, National Honor Society etc.

Wellness – Jenica Nigh, Lindsay O’Brien

- 10/8 – Watermelon & Celery
- 11/12 – Clementine & Green Beans
- 12/10 – Grapefruit & Avocado
- 1/14 – Apple & Cauliflower
- 2/11 – Kiwifruit & Spinach
- 3/10 – Bananas & Carrots
- 4/14 – Strawberries & Hummus

New Business

- Room parent funds, intended for classroom parties, can they cover teacher gifts?
 - Suggestion – if there is money left over, it could fund something that could benefit the classroom.
 - Kim Turner will make the note in the room parent guidelines.

Kim Shovlain moved to adjourn the meeting, Jill Kolb 2nd. Meeting adjourned at 8:06 PM.

Upcoming PTO Meetings

- November 12, 2019
- January 14, 2020
- February 20, 2020
- April 14, 2020
- May 11, 2020 (2020/21 Elections)