

## McIntyre Elementary School PTSO Meeting

October 14, 2020

### Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Co-President Stephanie Francis. Board members in attendance were: Co-President Jodi Golis, Vice President Heidi Scarsella, Secretary Michelle Hollenberger, and Treasurer Jody Henry. The meeting was held virtually through Google Meet.

**MINUTES:** Jodi Golis made a motion seconded by Jody Henry to approve the minutes from September's meeting.

**PRINCIPALS REPORT:** Mrs. Spingola reported she is happy to have students back in the building. She said students are doing a great job adjusting to the changes with wearing masks and the changes in the cafeteria. She highlighted some creative ways teachers and students were modeling keeping socially distanced by six feet. She is very proud of how the students are adjusting to the new policies. Mrs. Spingola reported that next week, students will begin taking their Benchmark exams. Students in grades 1-2 will take iReady tests. Students in grades 3-5 will take the STAR exams. Families that have chosen to remain online can schedule to come in on a Wednesday to take their exam. Mrs. Spingola reported, while an in-person Halloween celebration will not be able to occur this year, the plan to celebrate virtually is a work in progress.

**JULY & AUGUST FINANCIALS:** Jody Henry gave the treasurer's report. The beginning balance for the month of July was \$39,056.47. A major source of income for the summer was a \$1047.20 from the summer mask sale. The largest purchase last month was two water bottle refilling stations. The PTSO balance was \$39,378.44 as of September 30th.

**SEPTEMBER REVIEW:** Stephanie Francis reported a \$1000 grant was received from the West View Water Authority. Those funds were used to install one water bottle filler at McIntyre and one at the middle school. Spirit Week was held in late September. This gave the students a feeling of school spirit. Parents sent in pictures to be used for the yearbook. The PTSO purchased tissues for each teacher in building. Approximately 2800 items for recess bags were also purchased. These items are a combination of books, activity books, games and puzzles to for students to use during indoor recess. Custodian appreciation day was October 2<sup>nd</sup>. The PTSO purchased tee shirts for the custodians and provided snacks for them and the staff that day to help recognize all their hard work. The fall spirit wear items are in and will be given to students in the coming week. The red McIntyre tee shirts will be taken to the school this week and will be distributed soon.

**EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING:** Jodi Golis reported at the most recent executive board meeting, items such as recess bags, Halloween celebration and teacher recognition events were discussed. Discussion to look into other companies for annual book fairs was also discussed. The next executive board meeting is on November 12<sup>th</sup>.

**5<sup>TH</sup> GRADE COMMITTEE:** Jodi Golis reported meetings of the 5<sup>th</sup> grade committee have taken place. The committee is focusing on the design of the class sweatshirts and finding ways to raise funds this year. They are looking to selling car wash coupons.

**UPCOMING EVENTS:** The PTSO will host a virtual pumpkin carving event and virtual Halloween parade. Membership Toolkit will be updated toward the end of the month. This update will have everyone who did not opt out of sharing information with outside sources. Teacher assignments will also be updated. Operation Gratitude will be a drop-off event this year. The chairpersons are checking for any rule changes about what kind of candy can be distributed.

**FUNDRAISING:** The KidStuff fundraiser concluded with minimal orders. The Sarris Candy sale (coming in October/November) will also be run virtually. We will also host a Holiday Spirit Wear sale.

**REWARDS PROGRAMS:** Passive fundraising includes (Chick-fil-A receipts, Shop 'n Save, and Box Tops) Giant Eagle is no longer hosting their Apples for Students rewards program.

**UPCOMING EVENTS:** Upcoming Spirit Nights: 5 Below October 17-24<sup>th</sup>; Moe's Taco kit pick-up November 12<sup>th</sup> 5:00 p.m.

Next meeting is November 11th, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. (virtually)