

McIntyre Elementary School PTSO Meeting

February 10, 2021

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 April Witkowski, 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 January's meeting.

PRINCIPALS REPORT: Mrs. Spingola reported the teachers and staff were very appreciative of the Chick-fil-A lunch provided by the PTSO in January. She noted the schedule changes due to a recent snow day has brought challenges to the scheduled Valentine's Day parties. Parties will be moved to the next virtual school day. Mrs. Spingola spoke about the upcoming parent/teacher conferences on Monday, February 15th. If parents would like a conference, they should contact their child's teacher. Mrs. Spingola is excited to introduce a social-emotional curriculum, Reboot. Reboot for Schools is a mindfulness curriculum, providing daily 3-minute audio guided mindful moments. This program ties in nicely with the current program of focusing on having a growth mindset. Mrs. Spingola noted that the District is tentatively revisiting allowing school pictures in the spring. Those dates will be shared when a final decision has been made. Mrs. Spingola also noted that the Celebration of Learning will be changed this year to a day with evening conferences in the beginning of May. More details will follow.

JANUARY FINANCIALS: Jody Henry gave the treasurers report. The beginning balance for the month of November was \$37,827.99. Income for January was from 5th grade Zroni sales and donations. A \$500 donation from Wal-mart was also received. Expenses for January include additional car wash coupons and Zroni rolls. The PTSO balance was \$43,586.14 as of January 31st.

JANUARY REVIEW: Stephanie Francis reported the PTSO used the Chick-fil-A rewards earned from parents turning in Chick-fil-A receipts to purchase the Chick-fil-A lunch for teachers and staff in January. She also reported the 5th grade Committee hosted the annual Zroni roll sale.

5TH GRADE COMMITTEE: Jodi Golis gave an update on the 5th grade Committee. The Committee hosted the annual Zroni roll sale and earned over \$1000. They also hosted a successful Moe's Taco Kit sale (earning approximately \$700) and have now covered their costs for purchasing sweatshirts for all 5th graders. They will now focus on earning funds to purchase yearbooks.

NEW BUSINES: Stephanie Francis mentioned the partnership between all North Hills Elementary schools to bring the Safer Internet Elementary Parent Forum to an online platform. That forum is on February 11th. Kara James discussed the Kids of Steel program for this year. The first session went well and the kids were excited to participate. Each week, Kara will have a theme surrounding the types of exercises the students will do. Stephanie Francis spoke about obtaining more pictures for the candid photos for the yearbook. Jodi Golis explained the PTSO received a notice that the Decennial Report with the state of Pennsylvania was due. This is a report that is due every ten years to keep the organization's name. The next report will be due in 2031.

FUNDRAISING: Stephanie Francis reported about the upcoming fundraisers. The PTSO will host a virtual Scholastic Book Fair (March 1-14th) and Silver Graphics fundraiser (March 24th-April 12th ~ with a goal for gifts to arrive by Mother's Day). April Witkowski reported that the site for Sarris Candies Easter sale is ready. The PTSO will launch the site the first week of March. Jodi Golis noted a parent is looking in to a possible flower sale for the spring.

REWARDS PROGRAMS: Passive fundraising include: Chick-fil-A receipts, Shop 'n Save, Box Tops and Coke Rewards.

UPCOMING EVENTS: Upcoming Spirit Nights: Five Below March 20-27th.

Next meeting is March 10, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. (virtually)