

## PTO Monthly Meeting

9/3/20

Attendees: Erin Weber, Stacy Thomas, Rachel Frank, Hannah Matlock, Jenn Jones, Amanda Wiegand, DarylAnn McNamara, Abbie Rinkenberger, Mollie Thomas, Megan Lodwyk, Marie Brewer, Emily Ketelsen (Teacher Rep), Julie Strating

### **Introductions/kick-off:** Erin Weber, PTO President

- PTO will look a little different each year. A lot of things obviously won't take place b/c of Covid.

### Treasurer's Report - Marie Brewer:

- For month ending August 3, 2020
- Erin: We did buy supplies for recess bags and receipts haven't been turned in so that's the only thing outstanding
  - Question: What are Kroger rewards? Stacy: If you have it already you can just link it through your plus card. 3% of qualifying purchases (not alcohol or pharmacy). Amy H: go to your plus card account and there is an easy way to link it.
- Erin: New Teacher Grant (new teachers are given \$100) and Art Supplies
- Mrs. Strating: Emma Long needed more art supplies (covid). Needs extra scissors/glue sticks/individuals supplies b/c she's doing "art on a cart". Will keep supplies and then use them to restock. Erin: If we do go to remote learning, kids can take home if needed.

### **Upcoming Events / Programs:** Erin Weber

- a. Otis Spunkmeyer: Very successful right now, we get 40% back
  - Erin asked Mrs. Strating if we can do a drive up situation for drop off/pick up (answer is yes)
- b. Fan Cloth Update: We do this typically once a year. This year we sold 141 units, & for each one we get \$4 back. They are going to send out another link this week for those that didn't get it in.
- c. Facebook Contest: Marie is going to pick winners at random. If you shared or liked the fundraisers you'll be entered
- d. Kindergarten Shirts: Incoming kindergartners will get a purple shirt. Need to know how many kindergarten kids there are (Julie says we are right at 40 but will triple check). Erin will get those ordered.
  - Mrs. Strating says we can do it outside so they don't have to wear masks
- e. Additional Spirit Wear Options - Stacy has an option, one that Fieldcrest has used for years. They're very affordable.
  - Erin asked what others look for - Abbie Rinkenberger looks for youth clothes, Megan Ludewyk looks for smaller sizes too (even onesies?), Jenn Jones says price point is important as well.
- f. Cinnamon Roll Sale: Stacy Thomas says shop is currently closed. She is reaching out to other places... Amanda suggested the laundry detergent fundraiser.
- P/T Conference Meals: Julie: Working through what it will look like (in person, Zoom, combo). Staff will be here but not sure how it will work in regards to meals. Julie is going to look it up to see what, if any, requirements there are (prepackaged meals only?). Amy Hardman will talk to Kemp to see if he will match donations.
- g. Bake Sale: We were going to try to get away from it, but could potentially still do it. Erin asked the group how they feel about it and the response was positive. May consider doing it in the spring instead of fall (usually done in October).
- h. Community Days: Usually do Shake Shack (typically get back about 20%, but we never ask for a certain percentage, it's usually whatever they want to give). Erin will reach out to

Shake Shack to see if they're willing to do it again. Erin & Stacy are going to look into Casey's Rewards

- i. Schoolkidz Supplies Contract 2021-2022: Erin shared a bit about what it is and what they do.

### **2020-2021 Fundraising Goal** (Recess bags, Art Supplies, Camera for JH gymnasium)

- Erin: We've paid for tables, licensing, etc. So far this year we've done the three listed above. We will have some money left over if the school does have a need.
- We used about half of the \$5000 on what we've already spent. Approx \$2500 remaining for anything the school needs.

### **2020 Spring Carnival Donations**

- Erin: We have donations that were supposed to be for the Spring Carnival, including big ticket items. Ideas on what we could do include:
  - We could sell/raffle online "Fall Frenzy"... we have a Cricut, Fitbit Ionic, classroom donations (iPad was moved to a classroom)
  - Silent auction/raffle online in some way (what will that look like)?
  - Mrs. Strating suggested going with what we already have instead of asking for more (Board has said no fundraising for the school due to financial hardships from Covid, but that doesn't \*necessarily impact PTO)
  - Julie will have paras look at inventory and send a list of what we have.

### **Fundraising Ideas**

Erin: Thinking we should be cautious moving forward with fundraiser type activities because of what Julie said about the Board's current stand on fundraising with the school.

Mrs. Strating: It's a little different b/c PTO needs fundraisers to support the PTO program (same with Boosters). Just the awareness that it's out there with the Board is how you should proceed.

### **Additional School Support from PTO**

Erin: Asked that Julie keep PTO in the loop in regards to what the school needs.

Jenn Jones: Suggested ideas for teachers (i.e. massage certificates)

Amy Hardman: We have staff appreciation in our budget so we can throw that in there.

Abbie Rinkenberger: Jumpstart Java is an idea (drink delivery) - morning delivery

Amy Hardman: Teachers should complete an Amazon wishlist

Julie: Unsung heroes are the para-pros this year, holding things together (consider appreciation for them as well)

Erin: Board will discuss this each month to see what we can donate