

Willis Elementary PTO Meeting Minutes
Via Zoom, Thursday, November 19, 2020 @ 2 pm

Starting Time: 6:04 pm

Board Members Present: Amy Hammon, Allison Boccaccio, Deb Hossenlopp, Melissa Summerlee

Other Members Present: Listed Separately

Minutes Submitted by Melissa Summerlee

Agenda:

1. Welcome
2. Financial Overview
 - a. PTO Purchases
 - b. Business Partners
3. Important Upcoming Events
4. Committee Chairs
 - a. 5th Grade Committee
 - b. Yearbook Committee
5. Administrative Update from Mrs. Price
6. Q&A

Welcome

1. Melissa welcomed everyone to the meeting and explained that Amy had an emergency and was unable to attend the meeting. There will be no PTO meeting in December since it is a short month with the winter break. The next PTO meeting will be Jan 21 at 6 pm via Zoom.

Financial Overview

1. Deb Hossenlopp reviewed October financials and made attendees aware that financials are posted online at the PTO's website.
2. PTO Purchases- The PTO purchased prizes for the Pumpkin Contest (Learning Express gift cards for the winners and D'Lites gift cards for all that participated). The PTO also purchased Reflex Math, a math program for the school.
3. The school received \$155 from our AmazonSmile contributions. Deb reminded people to think about using the AmazonSmile link when shopping for the holidays.
4. We are waiting on the proceeds from 2 Spirit Events that were held: Two Blooms by Alice's Table and Chipotle.

5. Business Partners- Deb has received some inquiries for potential new business partners from some Willis families and hopes to have some new business partners soon.

Upcoming Events

1. Learning Express Spirit event will take place December 2nd.
2. Kona Ice is returning and the first Spirit Event with them will take place December 4th.
3. Thanksgiving Break will be taking place Nov. 23rd – Nov 27th .
4. Winter Break will be from Dec 21st – Jan 5th .

Outstanding Committee Chairs that need to be filled:

1. 5th Grade Committee- There is currently no chair for the 5th grade committee but the 5 committee members have designed a 5th grade shirt and are proceeding with the 5th grade portraits.
2. Yearbook Committee- Looking for a chair for yearbook committee. Mrs. Ison and Michela Barrata have offered to help. Lifetouch will be our resource for yearbook. Pictures need to continue to be taken.

Update from Mrs. Price

1. Reflex Math was purchased by the PTO and teachers are very happy. It is a fact fluency program and initial data is very encouraging.
2. The district is implementing Peachjar, an electronic fliers distribution program. Kim Thomas and the district will coordinate posting of fliers and we can contact Kim about fliers for Business Partners.
3. Generation Genius, a science curriculum that the school wanted to purchase was purchased by the district. It provides access to science videos that teachers can use during class.
4. Mrs. Price provided information that the Comm. Of Education has said that eLearning will continue in some format in to 2021. Mrs. Price is waiting to hear from the district on whether the format will continue to be the same.

5. Mrs. Price is hopeful that we will be able to do some sort of Walk-A-Thon, possibly in the spring. She is going to talk to the Fine Arts teachers about giving up a class and helping to facilitate and will have more information after the Thanksgiving Break.

Q & A

1. Renee asked about Kona Ice dates and offered to prep reminder stickers to send home with students for upcoming dates.
2. Melissa reminded people that Runners Club had resumed. Mrs. Price mentioned that 150 students participated in the debut meeting. Any questions should be sent to Coach Morales or Coach Frisbie.
3. Emily informed the PTO that we were expecting a check or \$50.50 from Box Top Collection.
4. Deb mentioned future Survey Monkey on the PTO Facebook page regarding interest in future fundraisers/Spirit Nights/events.

Meeting adjourned at 2:35 pm