

Millennium PTO Meeting Minutes

Date: November 1, 2023

Attendees: Anne Lasecki, Tiffany Hamill, Juli Cosentino, Melanie Wetmore, Tracy Blake, Beth Farr, Lauren Cunningham, Alia Shalabi, Kristin McElroy, Robyn Ryan, Kaprii Grady, Robyn Ryan, Lo Mitchell, Bridget Adu, Amy Sertian, Deborah Lears, Liz Wegner, Noelle O'Connell

*Meeting called to order at 7:01pm by Tracy Blake.

Treasurer Report: Robyn Ryan-Profits came from Kona truck at Trunk or Treat (\$40), Spirit Wear (\$314.97), School ToolBox Kits (\$554.21), October Bookfair (\$2,245.16) including Family Reading Night sale. Money spent included Scholastic News (\$3,202.28), Trunk or Treat expenses (\$118.97) which included a selfie stand which will be reused at other events, and Teacher Reimbursements (\$397.71).

President's Report: Tracy Blake-

Bookfair: Book Fair ran Monday night (10/16) during Family Reading Night, Oct. 17, and Oct.18. Beth Farr set up a teacher wish list basket for teachers so students could shop for books for their teacher as a class donation. Beth would like to add stickers for students to write a to and from message inside each donated book. Teachers were very grateful for the donations. Thank you to all of the bookfair volunteers! Next Book Fair dates are 12/5, and 12/6 with setup being 12/4 after school again.

Market Day: Continue to promote Market Day and encourage parents to combine orders to split shipping. Market Day will be available all year long.

Boxtops for Education: All app done now. No physical box tops anymore. Download the app to scan in receipts.

Trunk or Treat (Beth Farr): Beth Farr and her husband helped to set up the layout for the Trunk or Treat. Flow seemed to work well. Suggestion for games to be outside of the candy trail to save time in line was suggested. Maybe a spot in the parking lot just to play family run games so that the trick or treating line doesn't back up. The Candy Monster Beth created was built to withstand years of use. Over 15,000 pieces of candy were donated by Millennium families. 3 food trucks were at the Trunk or Treat and participated at no charge to the school. Kona Ice even gave a 20% kickback.

Friendly Falcons (Noelle O'Connell)- Friendly Falcons Club are collecting extra Halloween candy to take to the Veteran's Nursing Home in November.

Kickback Night (Alia Shalabi)-Avocado Theory Kickback Night was 10/27. Experienced some online difficulty being address. Next Kickback Night is this Sunday at Hillgrove Tap during the Bears football game in which alcohol and food sales will give 20% back for dine-in orders. 12/5 is the next Kickback Night for Chipotle followed by January Panera (date TBD), Village Pizza in February (date TBD), Rainbow Cone is May (date TBD), and maybe even a date upcoming for Buffalo Wild Wings (restaurant has yet to respond yet from online inquiry). Talks with McDonalds may even lead to a kickback opportunity with McDonald's where teachers can serve students and their families and receive a portion of the profits but it's up to the teachers about whether they would like to participate.

Volunteer Raffle: Monthly volunteer raffle will begin starting at today's meeting for a \$5 Dunkin gift card. Gift card amounts/kind may vary. Volunteers' names will be submitted from hot lunch, bookfair, and other school sponsored events with volunteers.

Saunoris (Kristin McCoy): Kristin running the Saunoris fundraiser starting Nov. 10. Sales will run Nov. 10-17. Pickups will be after school on 12//5. Better pics will be released to encourage more sales. Posts will be on Facebook to notify families of the fundraiser Nov. 10-17.

Hot Lunch (Kaprii Grady): Update on Hot Lunch; Hotdog Mondays are extremely popular. Hot lunch volunteers continuously cancel last minute or don't show up. Kaprii created a Group Me volunteer list chat for those interested in helping with hot lunch even last minute as fill-ins are needed. Check the signup up to 5 minutes before lunch shifts start on Mondays and Fridays. Any and all help is appreciated. New vendors are being tried out like Panda Express which seems to be well received. Any suggestions for new vendors are always appreciated. Hot Lunch twice a week is going well. Thank you to all of the volunteers.

Penny Wars: (Kaprii Grady)-Penny Wars are coming! A signup sheet is available on the back table to fill additional spots. We love the idea of encouraging larger totals without "taking or subtracting: money from the other teams causes negative balances. A Volunteer sign up sheet is on the back table during the meeting but others looking to help can contact Kaprii.

Principal Report (Juli Cosentino): Thank you, PTO, for the PBIS prizes that have been purchased. New assembly ideas were suggested. Family STEAM Night has been confirmed to happen in February. Mrs. Cosentino liked the idea of Mouse Trap science guy coming on the Family STEAM Night in February to draw in more families.

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Ongoing Fundraisers include Market Day, Spirit Wearm Box Tops for Education. Millennium PTO is in need of a Garbage Can Cleaning fundraiser chair. If interested, please contact Tracy Blake. The PTO Board brainstormed some fundraiser ideas such as a family bowling night (winter), Cards for a Cause (spring), and an International Night outdoors. Chairs for all 3 events would be needed. If interested, please email the Millennium PTO or send a message on their Facebook page. International night would be families setting up table to showcase their traditions and culture such as food, clothes, pictures, music, etc.)

Glow Dance (Tracy Blake)-Glow Dance will tentatively be 6-8pm on April 19, 2024. Date still needs to be confirmed by Ms. Cosentino.

End of the Year Treat from the PTO (Tracy Blake)-Kona Ice will replace Ice, Ice Baby for snow cone day in May for the kids and staff. They will be prepared to handle a heavier flow of people. The quality of the snow cones were not great with the previous company.

Teacher Liaison Report (Tiffany Hamill): PTO is providing dinner to the teachers on the Monday of teacher conferences from 5-6pm. It was suggested to have the food there by 4:30pm. It was requested for a gluten and pork free option. She asked for the PTO to let her know ahead of time if cutlery and paper products are needed or if they come with those products from the company they are ordering from.

Open Suggestions from Floor: Game Night for families was suggested by Liz Wegner. Mrs. O'Connell suggested doing a game night in conjunction with a Grandparents' Night or the next book fair night again.

Upcoming Meeting dates are: February 7, 2024 and April 3, 2024 at 7pm

*Meeting adjourned at 7:32Apm by Tracy Blake.