

Costello PTO Meeting Minutes Monday, November 12, 2018

Attendance: Laura Saleski, Debbie Ballios, Val Thudium, Julie Eldridge, Amy Miller, Kristin Cermak, Katie Monhaut, Doug Greenwalt, Tammy DiPonio, Allison Allen, Shannon Burt, Chris Tallman, Ingrid Peeples and Dawn Leonard.

Mrs. Ballios called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM.

Secretary Report

Mrs. Ballios presented the minutes of the October 8th meeting. Mrs. Saleski acknowledged Agenda has been changed to Minutes, added the report date in the Treasurer's Report and a 't' added to "night" in the Vice President's Report. Mrs. Miller made a motion to approve the minutes and Mrs. Ballios seconded. The reports were approved.

Treasurer Report

Mrs. Tallman presented the Bank Transactions, Budget Report and Income Statements through November 9, 2018. We are roughly in the same position we were last year. The Auction committee is looking into a new way to pay by credit card to lower our fees. Mrs. Ballios made a motion to approve the reports and Mr. Greenwalt seconded. The reports were approved.

President Report

Mrs. Ballios reported she did not have a President's council meeting this month but should have one next month. We received thank you cards from Mrs. Thudium's class for all of our events so far this year. She thinks everything is going well so far. She is still working on light covers. The officers approved sweatshirts for the gentleman directing traffic in the morning.

Vice-President Report

Mrs. Tallman reported on International Night and acknowledged the volunteer efforts of our Girl Scout troops.

Principal Report

Dr. DiPonio wanted to go on and on about the International Night. In honor of Veterans Day, Veterans came in to talk to the different classes, someone skyped in from Virginia and an older gentleman spoke that served in other countries. They tied in the Cardinal traits. Professional Development has been happening. Leaders of committees are inviting other teachers into their classrooms for 2 hours and teaching.

Teacher Representative Report

Ms. Eldridge reported they are asking staff for big ticket items for their wish list. Items so far are: step or stage for smart boards for lower grades, more swings, lunch wagons and more lockers for other grade levels.

Room Parent Chair Report

Mrs. Monhaut reported the feedback from the Halloween parties has been good. The timing seemed better this year. December 21 is the Holiday party from 3-4. We will have sugar cookies, frosting, sprinkles and milk. We need to make sure we have extra

treats for siblings. We are going to start the sing along by the 5th graders caroling in the hallway to pick up the other classrooms. This should be about 10 minutes and the sing along will be 35 minutes. The 5th graders will be on risers, they will sit down and other kids will stand up. The 5th graders will lead the sing along. It is not a performance or concert. It is truly just a sing along.

Spirit Wear Report

Mrs. Allen reported the order form for class t-shirts should go out this week. Vests are out on the webpage. She has another sweatshirt sample. She still needs to brainstorm for a teacher t-shirt.

Ways and Means Report

Mrs. Leonard reported she will talk to Skateworld because a couple of kids were told they couldn't come in. We did well as always. We did really well at Granite City, \$344. We have MOD pizza on November 27, from 4-9, at Big Beaver and Rochester. She would like to contact Neehee's for a restaurant night. We made \$500 for Box Tops and U of M won! She will look into a night at Lifetime Fitness for kids ages 4-16.

Fun Run Report

Dr. DiPonio reported the account has been closed and we are waiting for reimbursement from the Get Movin' Crew. Stacy Miletti sponsored Kona Ice at our movie night. Mr. Tennies will give a full financial report at our next meeting.

Fair Report

Mrs. Ballios reported that Mrs. Pala is looking for a replacement to cover the fair baskets for next year. Please let her know if anyone is interested.

Auction Report

Mrs. Cermak reported invitations will go out this week. Mr. Heppner is excited to be the auctioneer again this year. We have been receiving donations and have more to pick up. The Ciurla's are on their African Safari they won at the auction a couple of years ago.

Community Service Report

Mrs. Saleski reported we collected 15 large, black garbage bags of clothes for Foster Closet of Michigan. We will be writing Valentine's for the seniors at Pine Ridge of Hayes Senior Living.

Green Schools Report

Mrs. Miller reported she is still contacting teachers to see what activities they have planned this year and see if there are any holes that need to be filled.

Web Coordinator Report

Mrs. Cermak reported the website has been updated with the Fun Run and pictures from International Night posted. Facebook has been updated to be able to click on a form and it takes people to the website.

Publicity Report

No Report.

Old Business

Project Line suggestions: Bringing in teacher training was a suggestion in previous years. This is in limbo currently.

New Business

We are looking for noon aides, 1 or 2 days are okay. This is a super part time position. Mrs. Cermak will post it on Facebook.

The next Costello PTO meeting will be held January 14, 2018 at 7 PM.

Mrs. Cermak motioned to end the meeting and Mrs. Monhaut seconded. Meeting adjourned at 7:45 PM.