



## PTA Meeting Minutes

PTA: North Side Elementary

Date: November 14, 2018

Time: 7:00pm

### I. President's Welcome

- Jen Anson welcomed and asked members to sign in to the meeting. There were five members in attendance including: Jamie Dunlap, Bethany Goodyear, Michelle Curran, Michelle Heinbaugh, and Sarah Box. Five PTA officers were in attendance including: Jennifer Andrews, Meredith Bomgardner, Jennifer Anson, Melissa Kurmakov, and Kristen Hanford.
- An updated 2018-2019 PTA calendar was distributed.

### II. Principal's Comments / Teachers Remarks- Principal Sarah Box

- The Chromebook cart that was purchased for the school by the PTA is in high demand and is being used in all classes. Principal Box and the staff would like to thank the PTA.
- Mrs Box explained that the district is discussing the possibility of moving to trimesters for elementary schools instead of quarters. This would allow teachers the opportunity to take more time to evaluate students' understanding. Two conferences would be done a year and would move the conference dates back by a few weeks. There would be approx. 60-61 school days per trimester. It is unclear whether our school would still be used as a polling place if this change occurs.
- Members inquired about whether there was a decision yet on whether the school would be renovated to have air conditioning. Mrs Box confirmed that it is still being discussed but no decision has been made yet.
- The school population is increasing and there may soon be a need for renovations to expand. There are already 670 students enrolled this year and the number keeps rising. Mrs. Box explained that there is no law setting a limit on number of students in a classroom, but there are suggested guidelines and this is something the district monitors closely.
- Mrs Box encouraged parents who don't have access to Home Access Center to please contact the office for assistance.

III. Approval of Meeting Minutes from September 2018. Michelle Heinbaugh motioned to approve the minutes and Melissa Kurmakov seconded the motion.

IV. Membership Report- Director of Membership- Melissa Kurmakov reported that there are currently approximately 60 members in the PTA.

V. Budget Report- Treasurer- Kristen Hanford reported that our current balance is \$15,957 with some payables still outstanding. Without Race for Education this year bringing in a large amount of funds, there may not be a need to hire an accountant this year to complete the PTA's taxes because we will be under the minimum.

VI. Director of Events and Volunteers Report- Melissa Kurmakov reported no new changes. There are still open committee chair/co-chair positions including:

- Spirit Sticks: Co-Chair
- Ice Cream Social: Co-Chair
- 2020 NS Pride T-shirts: Chair
- Book Fair: Chair
- Bake Sale: Chair

VII. Past Events and/or Programs Report

- Spirit Sticks: Jenn Andrews & Jamie Tum
  - There were just over \$100 in sales during the October sale plus \$100 in book fair sales. The next in-school sale will be December 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>. Pre-order forms will be sent out in late December for Valentines sticks.
- Fall Sub Sale: Crystal Moran & Amanda Dulovich
  - The fall sub sale profited over \$2700 which is the highest it's been in years, possibly ever. The next sub sale will be in the spring.
- Fall Book Fair: Jen Anson & Meredith Bomgardner
  - This year, all students received a free book valued up to \$9.99. Thank you to all of the volunteers. The next book fair will be in the spring and will have a dinosaur theme.
  - We currently have \$15,000 in Scholastic dollars. We are helping Mrs. Flute to buy family reading books with our Scholastic dollars.
- Dudes & Donuts: Julie Clemens
  - Turnout for the event was good. Thursday was more crowded than Friday.
- Super Male Readers: Colleen DeFrank
  - Initially we had trouble filling volunteer spots but they filled last minute.
- Fall Pictures: Ali Simpson
  - Retakes were today. A photographer from LifeTouch was walking around the school today taking candid. This brought up the question of whether they are helping with the yearbook. Jen Anson will follow up with the committee chairs.
- Teacher Luncheon: Kristyn Beeman & Amy Murphy
  - One family donated 9/10 gift cards needed. The committee chairs will send a thank you. All donations showed up. The luncheon went well with the exception of running out of meat at the very end. An adjustment will be made for next time. The same committee chairs will work on the spring luncheon.
- Bake Sale- Melissa Kurmakov
  - Rainy weather affected sales. Sales picked up once the stand was moved outside. The Judge of Elections wouldn't cooperate with our setup. The event profited \$400 which exactly covered the ice skating party rental.
- Hershey Bears 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Chorus Performance: Michelle Heinbaugh



- Tickets only went out to family members of 5<sup>th</sup> grade chorus members. The idea of opening it up to the whole school to purchase tickets similar to the Senators game was discussed. Michelle will find out ticket price breakdown.
- Ice Skating Party: Melissa Kurmakov
  - The rental fee was \$400 which was covered by the bake sale. There were approximately 100 people in attendance.
- IHOP Fundraiser
  - The fundraiser profited \$151 but was complicated to coordinate and there were complaints of the dining experience.
- PAC Meeting: Jamie Dunlap
  - The main subject being discussed was the idea of moving to trimesters, as Mrs Box explained.
  - There is a difference in the number of cycle days between elementary and secondary schools which makes the calendars confusing.
    1. The district is considering changing to a calendar in HAC that would show the cycle day that correlates to that particular student in their profile.
  - Mrs Box reported that SPP scores will be coming out in a few days. North Side's scores are well above where the scores should be for growth in a year
    1. These scores are based off of PSSAs
    2. There will be a new way of scoring which will pull in things like kids exposure to career readiness, English language learners' progress, attendance, etc
    3. Every Student Succeeds Act- related to this

#### VIII. Upcoming Events

- Skating Party: Alyssa Klein
  - The event will be held on Feb 17. A new committee chair person will be needed to handle this event. The new chair could use the flyer from last year. Melissa Kurmakov will post about the open chair position on Facebook.
- Color Me Mine Spirit Week: Michelle Heinbaugh
  - This spirit event is being done instead of Five Below. The PTA will receive 30% of pottery purchases.
- Dave & Busters Power Card Sales: Michelle Heinbaugh
  - D&B won't do a spirit night yet because they're too new but for now will do a power card sale
    1. Flyers just went home
    2. Cards are for games only, not food, and are sold in \$10 or \$20 increments. The activation fee is waived.
    3. The PTA will earn 50% of proceeds
    4. They come in before Christmas- we get them the week of December 10.
    5. The selling period now through the day after Thanksgiving.
- Get Air Spirit Event: Michelle Heinbaugh

- The date was chosen because kindergarten conferences are held that day so kindergarteners are off, and it is the night before all other school conferences, so it is not a “school night.”
- Chipotle
  - The event usually profits over \$1,000 and will be scheduled in December.

IX. New Business

- Girls on the Run
  - Mrs Soles & Mrs E Evans will be taking over as committee chairs. They will need parent volunteers. They would like to have co-coaches for either Mon/Wed or Tues/Thur practices. It is open to girls in grades 3, 4, and 5 and runs from 3<sup>rd</sup> week of February through the first week of May. It focuses on female empowerment and includes a community project. The registration fee is \$150 and covers the tshirt, bag, materials, etc.

X. Vote to approve the audit

- An audit of the PTA books was performed on 11/10/18 by an audit committee including: Crystal Moran, Amy Murphy, and Julie Clemens. Secretary Jennifer Andrews read the report of findings from the audit. The audit found the books to be correct with a balance on hand as of the date of the audit in the amount of \$23,129.78. Members were provided the opportunity to review a copy of the audit. Meredith Bomgardner approved the audit and Michelle Heinbaugh seconded the motion.

XI. The next PTA meeting will be held on February 21, 2018 at 7pm.