Independence PTO Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, March 21, 2023

Attendance: Ashley Enkelaar, Nancy Daly, Michael Shea, Heather Schaff, Lora Stebleton, Chelsi Martian, Laura Schons, Becca Meyer, Kristin Laney, Hannah Kranz, Jill Swenson

Meeting was called to order by Chelsi Martian at 7:01 p.m.

Ashley Enkelaar made a motion to approve the February 13, 2023 minutes; Michael Shea seconded. MOTION PASSED.

Guest Speakers:

- 2nd Grade Teachers: Laura Schons and Becca Meyer
- Students are working on writing and personal narratives, and reading non-fiction and biographies in ELA.
- In math, 2nd graders are working on money and place values.

Principal:

- Conferences were completed last week and were well attended.
- Mr. Shae will look into getting bouncy houses rented for the end of the year celebration and the PTO will look into helping to host a family night on May 24th.
- Teacher appreciation week is coming up May 8-12. The PTO committee is starting to plan the week.
- Enrollment numbers are starting to be looked at by the district to plan for next school year.

Presidents:

- The Family Dance Night was well attended. PTO members made notes for adjustments for next year.
- Upcoming Events:
 - Skate City Night will be on Monday, March 27th
 - Skate City Night will be Thursday, April 27th

Treasurer:

- In February, deposits were made from Papa Murphy's dine to donate and from parents who attended the 5th grade field trip.
- Charges came through from t-shirts for the battle of the books students, 5th grade field trip, concession supplies for the dance night, teacher equipment supplies for lap desks and a sensory table approved at previous meetings, and family dance night supplies.

New Business:

- Kristin Laney and Hannah Kranz, 4th grade teachers, requested \$300.98 for two extra computer monitors to be used in their classrooms.
 - Ashley Enkelaar made a motion to approve the request; Lora Stebleton seconded.
 - MOTION PASSED

- Becca Meyer and Madison Radel, 2nd/3rd grade teachers, requested \$51.00 for two books that have math activities geared towards 2nd and 3rd grade students.
 - Ashley Enkelaar made a motion to approve the request; Michael Shea seconded.
 - MOTION PASSED
- The 2nd grade teachers are starting to plan their field trip to Skyzone. Admission for all students and staff attending will be roughly \$1,400 plus bussing expenses.
 - This information was provided to the PTO as an update. No vote is necessary since there is a budget line item for this recurring expense.
- The 2nd grade teachers requested \$525 to purchase t-shirts for all 2nd graders and staff that assist in 2nd grade for their end of the year Camp Learned-A-Lot.
 - Lora Stebleton made a motion to approve the request; Ashley Enkelaar seconded.
 - MOTION PASSED
- Michelle Bloom, EL Teacher, requested \$105 plus tax to purchase two sets of Secret Story Flashcards to allow her students to use the same resources as the first grade classrooms.
 - Chelsi Martian made a motion to approve the request; Ashley Enkelaar seconded.
 - MOTION PASSED
- The Special Ed Paras requested \$214.80 to purchase replacement batteries for the two way radios they use to communicate with each other during the day.
 - Lora Stebleton made a motion to approve the request; Michael Shea seconded.
 - MOTION PASSED

Popcorn Party Drawing:

- Sawyer E. from Mrs. Laney's class
- Oscar S. from Mrs. O'Berg's class
- Eva S. from Mr. Leitheiser's class

Adjourned at 7:52 p.m. NKD