

PTO Minutes from Meeting on October 5, 2016

*Call to Order – Danielle called the meeting to order at 7:07

*Welcome

Present: Mr. Matt, Kristen Coughlin, Rose Arduini, Denise Coughlin, Heidi Stafforoni, Dani Romano, Michelle Weiner, Julie Zimov, Amy Lehaney, Jeni Applegate, Danielle Dunleavey

*September minutes – Presented and no questions

*2016 – Budget review

Budget was approved. Amy motioned, Heidi was 2nd motion, and all were in favor.

*Treasurer Report

-Square brought in money for selling PTO gear at Back to School nights

- Deposit \$1718.74, Disbursements \$867.06, Total in the account \$3425.89

-Book fair brought in \$607.04, and Spirit profit was \$334

*Upcoming Events

-School pictures are October 19-20, Picture schedule was presented. Sign-up genius is being used to get volunteers

-Playdates

-October playdate at Plaskos has about 90 people signed up. Everything is ready for this playdate.

-November playdate will be at Next Dimensions on Friday, November 11th. It will be a one hour time slot either 9:30-10:30 or 10:30-11:30. Cost will be \$7 per kid and is for ages 2-5. A waiver will need to be signed and a link to the website will be given on form.

-December playdate might be at Insports for an hour of private play either 10-11 or 11-12 and date TBA. Ages 2-5 and \$8 per kid.

-January playdate might be a fundraiser for the school at Rockin' Jump.

-Halloween Party is being worked on by Courtney and Danielle. There will be 2 flyers that get sent home, one for peers and one for special needs. Flyers were fixed and approved. Party is on 10/27 at Middlebrook. GMS is providing a DJ and the Father's Club is providing a bounce house. Sign-up genius will be used for volunteers and donations. Cookie decorating will happen as well as face painting and

coloring. New face painting crayons might need to be bought. Pizza will be provided by Tony's and Big Y for early families. It's a \$5 per family donation.

-Snowflake program will be run by Dani Romano and Amy Lehaney (Father's Club is doing the pumpkin costume program again this year)

-Enrichment Programs: It was decided to try and get Christina the Bubble Lady again and Critter Caravan. Mr. Matt is going to pick some possible dates and snow dates and Amy is going to email these two companies.

*Fundraising

-Fall Fundraiser – Mixed Bag orders are still coming in but lots of sales have been made already. It will not be closed down until next Friday. Sales right now are at \$7000 which is a profit of \$3451.

-Spirit wear – Casey is handling this and orders have been coming in. When orders are done, an order will be given to Ms. Dee.

*ABNO – is booked for March 30th at The Chop House. Will be just like last year with a cash bar and a signature drink and appetizers. At the next meeting, groups will be made for the event. Donations can be collected after Jan. 1st.

*Open Forum

-Michelle asked how Room Moms are selected and this was explained.

-Teacher Favorite lists were given out and so was a room mom email.

-Train ride and pizza will happen this year and the Father's Club is working on this. Possible date is October 23rd.

*Wheelers Words of Wisdom

-A bucket filling parent workshop happened last Wednesday with about 10-11 people attending and it was a success.

-The first of many parent support groups took place on 10/5 with 10 families attending. Parents found this to be very helpful as lots of helpful information was given and hopefully this will happen every month or every other month with possible parent training on topics such as sleeping, caregivers, feeding, community, parent acceptance, and how families are affected. Providing caregivers or helpers for PTO playdates was also discussed as well at doing a playdate on the weekend.

-Back to School Night TECEC received the Above and Beyond TPSLD Award and Ms. Law and Ms. Gabby accepted it.

-PBIS had its first assembly and it went well. Mr. Miller came and was Bucket Filler Bob. Barky was also there.

-All the hearing and vision screenings are going very well.

-Dates: Fire Safety is on Oct. 11th and Long Hill will be coming. The Apple Cider Press is on October 13th. Bus evacuations will be on Oct. 18th and this is just a drill. There is a Birth to 3 workshop/open house on Friday, October 21st at 9:15 and will be about an hour to an hour and a half. The Halloween Parade is on October 26th at 11 and 2:30. The rain date is on Oct. 31st and will be inside if raining then. Read A Loud day is on 10/27 and volunteers can come in and read. Fathers Club is meeting on 10/6 at 7:30 at Prime 111 and they will work on dates for the train ride and spaghetti dinner.

-The Holiday Luncheon for teachers will be on 12/16 with a snow date after the holidays. It was decided to do it like last year and use Soup Thyme.

-A transportation meeting will be scheduled and arrival and dismissal has been going well.

-Next year's budget is being worked on right now. Mr. Matt asked the PTO to think of anything that we think the school needs.

*Meeting ended at 8:25.

*Next PTO meeting is wrong on the agenda. It will be on 11-2-16 at 7:00 in the TECEC library.