**Roosevelt PTO Meeting**

**Meeting in person in Roosevelt Multi-Purpose Room**

**Friday, December 9, 2022 8:30am**

**Present:** Anna Cook, Melissa Lutz, Sarah Donoho, Amy Hansmann, Ashley Reed, Amy Prestes, Gen Jones, Beth Vlerick, Becky Williams, Marie Mensah, Stephanie Kang, Katie Bevan, Vicki Freund, Andrea Montalbano

*Meeting called to order at 8:54 am. Beth Vlerick moved to approve the minutes from November 2022; they were seconded by Amy Hansmann meeting approved.*

**Treasurer Report** - Amy Hansmann

We opened a new bank account last year and Amy is consolidating the two accounts. We are making money on interest. $1300 for donations for the year. Still waiting to be billed by the district for some of the gifts last year (science, athletics, etc). We also gave the PIMA donation. Marla’s money coming in is better than last year. Seventh grade dance we were really close on budget and came in just under budget or broken even. With the amount we keep in reserve we don’t always have a goal for what we keep in reserve but we are always open to where to help spend it. Could we expand the keyboards for testing based on the gifts given in the past of keyboards. Keyboards are always available to kids for testing. Last year 5th grade class started getting them built in and this will continue moving forward. Future topic: what to do with surplus and a surplus goal

There is a question about what we do for 6th grade from a PTO perspective in terms of activities compared to other grades. They do the service project.

**Principal Report** – Larry Garski

The school is hopeful that PTO will be able to rent our Triton’s track for a local track meet and the PTO can help off set the cost of that. We will more details about costs moving forward.

The art teachers would like to start brining in artist to present to the students during the school day and the school would like assistance from PTO to help sponsor these artists.

Lots of discussion about sport option that are “non-cut” sports for students to be able to participate in. There is a club for after school program that allows kids to participate. The issue with organized sports is needing the staffing to student ratio. The website needs to be updated to current club options and might be a good idea to send reminders about signing up in January.

Lunchrooms for winter will be the same with a combination of a small space and larger space. If there is indoor recess during winter they will go to an assigned room, auditorium and/or gym.

Musical is Matilda Jr. and everyone is excited and it’s the last week in February (24-26). There will be a student viewing during the day for the student body but working on how many to gage kids watching and performers voices.

Report from Ed: There is current discussion about all day kindergarten. 690 people participated in the survey. It appears the majority of people would be interested in full-day kindergarten. There are a few issues but the biggest seems like where to put the full kindergarten classes. FYI board equity committee will be meeting for the first time after break January 24th.

Pack the gym event last night for basketball team and it was very well attended and al the kids very spirited. The kids spirit committee is managing this and doing a great job.

Question about the geography bee and if it’s returning this year. This is definitely doable and will look into the possibility.

**Teacher Liaison** – Julie Daley

She is very appreciative of the Facebook page and how on top of it the PTO is. Remember, there is a great holiday gift for you middle schooler that will be equally appreciated by their teachers…deodorant!

**Co-President Report** – Melissa and Sarah.

We do a little holiday gift for crossing guardians and the staff at the school. The yard signs are finally in! If you make your PTO donation you can have your very own yard sign.

**Committee Reports**

6th grade service project – Amy Prestes

They are doing Cradle to Crayons for the project. They will provide collection boxes to collect cloths and do have an option for going to the site to sort items as a field trip. The parents usually put little notes/valentines on the 6th graders lockers. One possibility is that the kids help make notes and put on the lockers.

Hospitality – No report for now. District provides breakfast for the staff December 21st at 7:30am.

PIMA – Aundrea Montalbano

Concert in November went well and the next one is in February. Next pizza lunch is December 15th and will be using Slice Factory. Waiting to see final decision about what items to buy but it’s looking like new bases for students. Doing very well financially so they are able to support with what they need. Ordering shirts for jazz band and PTO will be covering a portion.

Fun Lunch – Anna Cook

Getting rid of starship after today and will be replaced with panda express and taco 76. Working on temperature control with providers. Concerns expressed about pizza place and the other options that are out there. Also trying to get sub-tender in as an option. Smoothy king is great but the quesadillas are not appropriate so will be following up with them. The second half of the year is about to open up.

Green for Good – Vicki Freund

Pumpkin Smash was a great success. This year there was 4.77 tons of pumpkins. All the echo warriors were very energetic. Going to talk more about composting for lunch room options.

Inclusion and Belonging – Beth Vlerick

We now have a pre-event checklist and post event survey for all parents preparing for events and after event feedback. Intent is to continue to improve on our events in terms of inclusion and belonging. The district is brining together this group of parents and teachers working on inclusion projects.

5th grader pizza lunch is 14th for their penny wars prize and they have enough volunteers.

Old and New Business

Email from John Milan who works with the band and he is interested in teaching hand drumming. Thought is to include this in the spring fun fest.

Meeting adjourned at 10:08am and the next meeting is January 12, 2023 at 8:30am at Roosevelt.