

## **Costello PTO Meeting Minutes Monday, January 11, 2016 @ 7 pm**

Attendance: Dawn Leonard, Jennifer Thomack, Raquel Schriber, Colleen Moebus, Christy Humphrey, Irene Christy, Lisa Holzknrecht, Julie Dagenais, Katie Monhaut, Steve Dunneback, Laura Saleski and Tammy DiPonio.

Mr. Dunneback welcomed everyone to the meeting and made introductions. The meeting was called to order at 7:08 pm.

### **Secretary Report**

Mr. Dunneback presented the minutes from the November 9<sup>th</sup> meeting. Mrs. Humphrey made a motion to approve the minutes and Mrs. Moebus seconded. The minutes were approved.

### **Treasurer Report**

Mr. Dunneback presented the Bank Statements and Income Statements through December 31, 2015. Mrs. Humphrey made a motion to approve the report and Mrs. Thomack seconded. The report was approved.

### **President Report**

No new report.

### **Vice-President's Report**

Mrs. Moebus reported that we still need replacements for PTO positions for next year. It was suggested to place notices on Facebook and in the school newsletter for the open positions, with a contact me if you have any questions from the current chair. It was also suggested to create a list of positions with descriptions and roughly the amount of time spent each month fulfilling the requirements. Maybe create fliers to put into K, 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> grade folders.

### **Principal Report**

Mrs. DiPonio reported that Troy student artwork will be on display at the DMC open house on Jan 16 from 11:00-12:15. There will be a mural from the 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> graders from last year.

Jan 18<sup>th</sup> – no school MLK JR day, and Jan 21 & 22<sup>nd</sup> are ½ days

Jan 26<sup>th</sup> Festival of Song 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Chorus ONLY

February dates:

1<sup>st</sup> – Report Cards available

8<sup>th</sup> PTO meeting

10<sup>th</sup> Count Day & 5<sup>th</sup> grade Growing up Preview night for parents. Feb 19<sup>th</sup> for kids.

12<sup>th</sup> Valentine's Day Parties

15<sup>th</sup> Winter Break

April 11-May 27<sup>th</sup> is the window for M-Step. Each grade has a 3 week window.

Results for last spring should be in the mail today.

Principal of the Day winner was Cole Humphrey. Mrs. DiPonio went to lunch with Cole and the Student Council President. It was a good experience.

One agenda item from the meeting was in regards to Blue tickets & why we use them-to reinforce our school-wide Cardinal message.

We packaged 75 packages for the troops.

### **Teacher Representative Report**

ITB – Iowa testing this week. This test measures child's achievements in school.

Hopefully the results will be received prior to Spring Conferences. Larson looks at these, grades & teacher recommendations when placing our kids next year.

Jan 20 – Cardinal Nests. Jan 27<sup>th</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> graders have the “Got Caught Program” covering retail fraud/shoplifting and sponsored by the Troy Police Department. The Safety's are having a pizza lunch Jan 29<sup>th</sup> and new jobs will be assigned at that point.

Feb 1<sup>st</sup>, band & orchestra 7pm at Athens.

5<sup>th</sup> graders apply in the Fall to be a Safety and are trained in the Fall.

Tar Wars is on the calendar for Feb 3<sup>rd</sup>. A couple of Beaumont doctors come in w/animal lungs & talk about the effects of smoking with the kids. You and your body kit will be starting right after that.

### **Room Parent Report**

No report.

### **Ways and Means Report**

Mrs. Leonard reported we received a \$331 check from Kroger. We received \$346 from Skate World. Our next event there is scheduled for Feb 18, 6:15-8:15.

Restaurant nights are scheduled.

California Pizza – Jan 28

BW3 – Feb 24

Zoyo - March 30, same days as the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade music concert

April 20 - Oberweis, Swirl'n'dipity or Orange Leaf. This is the same days as the 1<sup>st</sup> grade music concert.

May 24<sup>th</sup> – Granite City

Feb 1<sup>st</sup>-Feb 12 is our classroom Box Tops contest.

Square 1 Art project is when a child draws a picture on a piece of paper. We can then order something with our child's artwork on it.

### **Fair Report**

Mr. Dunneback reported we need someone to run the Green room. Everything is on track. No bungy run this year, due to the LGI room is filled with other things now so we can't use it. We need a hockey net for the hockey room. We need to make sure we have people to clean up afterwards. Do we have Athens volunteers specifically to help clean up? Mr. Dunneback will petition another group to come in later to clean up. We have a custodian to stay on the weekend to vacuum and clean afterwards. Teachers are good if the room is not 100%, but we should try the best we can. Cotton Candy is set.

### **Auction Report**

Mrs. Thomack reported that we have sent out over 800 letters. We have also filled out over 200 online request forms. Most vendors are moving to an online process. We sent out 500 invitations to families, PTOs in the Troy school district, State Representatives, city council, board of education, former 5<sup>th</sup> grade families, anyone that came last year. So far, we have 9 Table sponsors, 6 are Costello parents. We have 7 tables left to sponsor. We need help the night of the auction to sell tickets and help run around. We are looking at other ways to help streamline the checkout process. One idea is if the bidder is okay with the auction committee delivering items, charge the card

and then deliver the item the next day or two. The early bird special ends January 31<sup>st</sup>, not the 3<sup>rd</sup>. So far, we have sold 30 tickets.

**Community Service Report**

No Report.

**Green Schools Report**

No Report.

**Web Coordinator Report**

Mrs. Humphrey reported that our Blood Drive is moving to April and Larson is hosting one on Jan 18<sup>th</sup>. Please give blood.

**Publicity Report**

No Report.

**Hospitality Report**

No Report.

Old Business – Reminder to vote for the 2015-2016 Teacher of the Year.

New Business - None

The next Costello PTO meeting will be held February 8<sup>th</sup>, 2016 @ 7 pm.

Mrs. Schriber made a motion to end the meeting and Mrs. Leonard seconded. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 8:24 pm.