

Prairie PTA Meeting Minutes  
January 13, 2017, 6:30PM  
Prairie Library

\*\*Today is also Family Game Night. There were also requests to stream so we are testing Facebook Live tonight for the meeting.

Introductions:

- Tera N. called the meeting to order at 6:36PM and announced that we are Live Streaming on Facebook.

Principal's Report: (Mr. Griffin was not present). Tera reported on the following:

- Waukesha Education Foundation has some requests. They have an annual celebration on Sunday, February 26, 2017 and they are asking for sponsorship. There will be an event table highlighting Prairie.
  - There were questions regarding what the Education Foundation of Excellence is and surrounding what is all wanted.
    - Ben S. made a motion to approve \$250.00 from special allocations to be used for sponsorship. Carrie D. seconded the motion. A vote was called and all were in forever.
- 2017 marks the 50th Anniversary at Prairie. Mr. Griffin would like to make awareness to this. Keep that in mind when discussing donations regarding other events.
- Questions for Mr. Griffin
  - Today it was reported that a 4th grader had 3 minutes from the time that she was able to pick up her lunch, eat, and get to class. This is a big concern for multiple parents. The issue of lunch (time and schedule) has also been brought up in both the November and December PTA meetings (per the minutes).
  - There was a large discussion around the lunch issues including the time it takes for youth to enter their number and time regarding time for youth to eat. Tera N. agreed to contact Aramark.
  - Volunteers and how there are used.
  - It was raised that one day this week the 2nd grade did not have a substitute teacher so the other teacher needed to have 2 classes for the entire day.

Superintendent's Council Report: None

Curriculum Council Report: None

Special Education Round Table Report: Kristi D.

- Kristi was unable to make it to the meeting.

Business Operations:

- There was a couple more checks for Marcus Movie Nights for a total of 1021.50.

- Art Night has not yet had any of the reimbursements.
- YTD Budget Report through January 13, 2017. This will give you a mid-year view of where we are at. Tera reviewed the report.
- February 14, 2017 is International Give a Book Day. Tera reached out to the Effectiveness Coach who made a suggestion that we purchase a book for each classroom. There was discussion of providing a book to the teachers (professional development). An idea was brought up about the possibility giving parents the ability of purchasing a book for their child from the book fair.
- Vote to approve minutes from November 2016 and December 2016.
  - Cathi N. motioned to approve the November 2016 and December 2016 PTA Meeting Minutes. Carrie D. seconded. A vote was made. All were in favor.
- Discussion of changing the time of the PTA meeting if it stays of February 14. Mr. Griffin had suggested that the PTA meet during Jump Rope for Heart. The meeting could also be on February 21 at the normal 6:30. A discussion was had. Members in the room and on Facebook Live agreed that February 21, 2017 at 6:30PM.
- Jump Rope for Heart. A parent reported that they made a chart for their kids to help with chores and other things around the house in order to earn money to go towards the donation. There is a student that spoke at the assembly about her own experience.

#### Month in Review:

- December SCRIP Bonus Drawing: The number 23 was picked. Megan Dixon won a \$25.00 gift card to Panera.

#### Upcoming PTA Event and Program Discussion

- SCRIP Deadline: Friday, January 20th
- Box Tops Deadline: Friday, January 27th
- Conference/Book Fair (2/2/17 and 2/7/17)
- Next Meeting is Tuesday, February 21, 2017 at 6:30PM
- Art & Talent Showcase: Friday, 2/17/17
  - Today was the deadline for students to sign up.
- Family Night Out: Skateland: Friday, 3/9/17
- Teacher Appreciation Committee Lead
  - Let Tera N. or any board member know if you are interested.
- Palooza Committee
  - Have been working hard and are getting several different donations.
  - The more people who are interested in helping the better!!!
- PTO Expo in St. Charles (near Chicago) on Thursday, 4/20/17 from 9-2. Anyone is welcome.
- Questions/Comments

#### Paw Points for Parents Drawing (Need not be present to win)

- Carrie Schuett

Meeting is adjourned at 7:32PM