

## James Conger Elementary PTO October 2018 General Meeting Minutes

**Date, Time, and Location:** Wednesday, October 10, 2018, at 7 pm in the staff lounge

**Meeting called to order by** President Donna Schomer at 7:02 pm

**Attendance:** Donna Schomer, Brenda Bailey, Joan Umland, Randy Hardenbrook, Sarah Stevens, Julie Fought, Casey Fuchs, Ben James, Heather Phillips, LeAnna Ford, Toby West, Brittany Yost, Jessica Bowser, Josh Page, Sheri Harrington, Jennifer Martineau, Scott Bailey

**Minutes:** A motion was made by Brenda Bailey to accept the minutes of 9/12/18. The motion was seconded and accepted.

### Officers' Reports

President: given by Donna Schomer

- Marco's Pizza Night had a profit of \$206.14. Mrs. Bowser's class won the pizza party.
- Spirit Wear sale had a profit of \$332.50.
- Box Tops had a profit of \$256.80, which equals 2,568 box tops. Ms. Campbell's class won for the most collected.
- Pumpkin fundraiser had a profit of \$1,443.75 (525 pumpkins sold). Mrs. Bowser's class sold the most and won 1st place, and Ms. Campbell's class got 2nd place.
- Lehner's Pumpkin Farm - Mention Conger when you purchase tickets between Oct. 6-21 and PTO will receive a percentage of the proceeds.
- Chipotle fundraiser was approved, and is scheduled for Sun, Nov. 4 from 4-8 pm.
- GRIT shirts - PTO usually covers half the cost of the team shirts. The budget was \$1200 (based on previous years). Total cost was \$3,840, so PTO's half would be \$1,920. This would be \$720 over budget. A short discussion took place. Donna Schomer made a motion to allocate an extra \$720 to cover the cost of paying PTO's half of the GRIT shirts. The motion was seconded and accepted.
- Back to School Night - The budget was \$200 and PTO spent \$40. Donna Schomer made a motion to release \$160 back into the general fund from Back to School Night.

Treasurer: given by Joan Umland

- PTO bank accounts balance is \$19,648.
- PTO had 3 bank accounts. The savings account earned less than \$10 in interest each year, so PTO closed it.
- One insurance policy was \$20 over budget. A second insurance policy was \$10 over budget.
- \$10,000 of the total account balance has been allocated to replace Chromebooks at the end of this school year. An extra \$8,000 might be needed to replace more.

## **Council and Committee Reports**

### Book Fair: given by Sheri Harrington

- Met with Jane Butler to put together a volunteer schedule. Shifts will be approximately 1.5 hours long.
- Set up will be Tues, Oct. 30 after school and run until tear down after conferences on Nov. 8.
- Volunteers will be needed to help students make wish lists and help them shop. NHS students will help fill in volunteer slots. Extra volunteers will be needed on Mon, Nov. 5 during Ms. Butler's absence.

### Secret Santa: given by Jessica Bowser

- Informational meeting held last week. About 20 people attended.
- Art room will feature letter writing to Santa. Library will be showing a holiday movie and serving popcorn. "Bake Walk" instead of cake walk so people will donate a variety of baked goods, not just giant cakes. Cookie decorating/ornament decorating room TBD.
- Volunteers are needed to make this event successful.
- Donations are needed for the raffles. Someone is busy contacting businesses.

### Spirit Wear: given by Julie Hardenbrook

- Still looking into other vendors with more selection and online ordering.

### Staff Appreciation: given by Heather Phillips

- First conference night dinner has already been ordered.
- Teachers were given surveys. Suggestions from teachers: purchase Reading Rainbow, iPads, bring in a food truck for staff appreciation, buy Kindles.
- If something is needed for the classroom, teachers should come to the PTO meeting and ask for it.

### Volunteer Coordinator: given by Casey Fuchs

- SignUp Genius going out for Book Fair soon.
- Conference Night Dinners donations - SignUp Genius, email, and Facebook post

### Principal's Report: given by Josh Page

- Oct. 18 - STEAM Night: pizza & activities, Hayes robotics team will be here
- Oct. 26 - Halloween parties, parade at 2:15 pm, fall dance 6-7:30 pm
- Oct. 30 @ 2 pm - 4th/5th Celebration of Excellence: awards for high achievement or improvement during first quarter
- Nov. 1 & 8 - Conferences, please give feedback on the survey
- 3rd grade will be doing fall testing soon
- Nov. 7 - Children's Theater will be performing
- What's wrong with the swings? The metal at the top is worn down and needs replaced.
- Plans are in the works to create a garden in the springtime.

- Tetherball is broken a lot....solutions? Discussion.

### **Upcoming Events**

- Marco's Pizza Night - Tues, Oct. 16
- Fall Fundraiser - Lehner's Pumpkin Farm visit Oct. 6-21
- Fall Dance - Friday, October 26, 6-7:30 pm
- Multi-Season Plant Sale (part 2) - beginning of Nov.
- Chipotle fundraiser - Sun, Nov. 4, 4-8 pm
- PTO meeting - Wed, Nov. 14 @ 7 pm
- Secret Santa - Sat, Dec. 8, 9 am - 12 pm

### **Discussions**

- Raffle drawing - And the winner is....

**Next meeting is** 11/14/18 at 7 pm in the staff lounge

**Meeting adjourned at** 7:59 pm

**Minutes compiled by** Brenda Bailey, Secretary