

SHEPARDSON PTO

May 1, 2017

7pm

Location: School Library

Meeting called to order: Heather Castañeda, Sarah Putman, Co-Presidents 7pm

In attendance: David Worford, April Price, Nicole Booker, Becky Woodcox, Alissa Poduska, Mary Jackson, Kelli Wallace, Belinda Daniels, Mary Laffey, Chelsea Hill, Heather Castañeda, Sarah Putman, Pam Rice

It was moved and seconded to accept the April minutes as written. Motion carried.

Introductions were made and a welcome activity was completed.

Officer's Reports

President's Report--Heather Castañeda and Sarah Putman

- Sarah thanked Mary Laffey for her many years of service to the Shepardson PTO. Tonight is Mary's last meeting.

Principal's Report—Alissa Poduska

- New Teachers
 - Approximately 200 applicants for each of the three teaching jobs
 - 2nd grade: Mrs. Hromatka and Mrs. Rehm will be job sharing
 - 3rd grade: Jessica Seufer, student taught with Mrs. Hawkes last year.
 - 5th grade: Mrs. King moving from para to teacher.
- Front Entry
 - Security upgrade is underway, equipment is on order
 - Will be in place for start of classes in the fall.
- Wellness/snack/birthday celebration discussions are ongoing
- Innovation Grant, approximately \$25,000 awarded, thanks to Becky Woodcox

Treasurer's Report--Chelsea Hill

- Report distributed and reviewed:
 - Bridge Books—break even, not to raise funds
 - Yearbook—break even, not to raise funds
 - Family Nights—Income of approx. \$1700
 - Star Stampede—Income of approx. \$6000
 - Trivia Night—detailed in report
- Becky Woodcox thanked Chelsea for her hard work as Treasurer
- Office of Treasurer is empty for next year, still need a volunteer.

- Budget proposal for next year (2017-2018)
 - Increase funding for EcoWeek as 5th grade will now have 3 full tracks and will also need more chaperones.
 - Increase was approved
 - Budget was approved for 2017-2018.
- Audit
 - Required to have two people complete an audit this summer (after June 30, when books close)
 - Sherrell Reed has volunteered, need one more.

Staff Report—Becky Woodcox

- PTO greatly appreciated by all teacher and staff. They recognize the amount of volunteering done and amount of money raised to help them in the classroom.
- PBL updates
 - Getting ready to finish up Spring units
 - Lots of productive field trips were held and still to come.
 - PBL Breakfast on May 12 to showcase this year and get new partnerships for next year.
 - More training scheduled for this summer.
- Maker Space
 - Well used, seems to be enjoyed by students and staff
 - K/1—robot mice project
 - 2—Lego lab
 - 3/4/5—TinkerCAD, 3D printing

Bylaws—Sarah Putman

- Meeting date change
 - Julie Wenzel is on District Advisory Board, which meets on the first Monday, which precludes ever getting reports.
 - Would attendance improve by moving meetings to second Monday?
 - It was moved, seconded, and approved to move meetings to the second Monday of the month, wording in bylaws changed for clarity and disambiguity.

Elections

- Chelsea Hill—President
- David Worford—Vice President
- Alissa Poduska—Principal and 2nd Vice President
- Heather Castañeda and Sarah Putman—Past President
- Treasurer—
- Secretary—Pam Rice
- Member at Large—Nicole Booker
- Member at Large—Dixie Gormley
- SAC Representative—Kelli and John Wallace
- Way and Means—Belinda Daniels
- VIPS Coordinator—Mary Jackson
- Staff Representative—Becky Woodcox

Committee Reports

Bridge Books—Sarah Putman

- Ordered, waiting on delivery

Family Nights-Heather Castañeda for Vanessa Wilhelm

- Last Garlic Knot night raised \$209.30, bringing the total to \$1935.21 for the year
- Culvers—waiting on a check, no response from them
- Next night is at Chipotle, May 11
 - 50%, must show flier or on phone
- Last Garlic Knot night of the year is Thursday, May 25, 2017

School Supply Kits—Heather Castañeda

- Finishing up lists
- Considering a different program for next year

Sock Hop—Dixie Gormley

- Well attended, great feedback
- Poor ventilation in gym, a bit...aromatic.

Star Stampede—Mary Jackson

- Raised approx. \$6000, still waiting on a matching check from Intel (\$250)
- Next year will add a PayPal button

Teacher Appreciation—Lola Jacobsen

- Sign Up Genius filling up

Sarah and Heather thanked everyone for coming and a great year, meeting adjourned at 8:24pm

Minutes compiled by Pam Rice