

Auburn Elementary PTO

March Meeting Minutes

Attendance

Kirby Richard, Darci Koci, Laura Harrison, Linda Vandevord, Rita Hinck, Cheryl Tuckwin, Shannon Allison, Sarah Packard, Sonja Garrett, Melinda Patterson, Shari Weeks,

Meeting called to order at 6:32 pm on March 12, 2018.

- February's Minutes were reviewed
 - Motion to approve minutes by Kirby Richard and seconded by Casi Birnley to approve the minutes.

Treasurer's Report

- Fourth grade Movie Night- \$192
- Deposited the fall fundraiser check that came in for the late shipping-\$750
- Carnival profit was \$4000
 - Down from previous year (\$7000-\$8000)
- Candy Gram profit-\$500
- Casi Birnley moved to approve the treasurer's report and it was seconded by Sarah Packard

Principal Report

- Melinda Patterson wanted to thank the PTO for the fantastic carnival. we had a good turnout and there were many happy little faces running around having fun. The food was great and it was great to visit with everyone in a fun, relaxed atmosphere. We appreciate all that PTO does to foster a sense of community in our school.
- Friday, March 16th we will have the staff vs 6th grade volleyball game at 2:30 in the gym.
- Our staff recently finished a book study on the book Supporting behavior for school Success: step-by-step guide to key strategies. This is a book written by Lane, Menzies, Ennis & Oakes. The book details low-intensity strategies that can be used in the classroom to decrease problem behaviors that may get in the way of instruction. Some examples of strategies are Behavior specific praise, increasing opportunities to respond, active supervision, using instructional

feedback, high probability request sequences, precorrection, and instructional choice. These strategies are all easy to implement and are supported by research to support learning for all students.

- We currently have a 5th grade and 6th grade opening, as well as an academic interventionist position. We are in the process of interviewing for all three positions and hope to make a decision soon.

Teacher Requests

- Linda Turner is requesting \$759 for the fourth grade classes
 - \$90 (\$30/class): 4th grade teachers created an AR wall last year. Teachers have been giving their student's classroom money over the course of the year as they have earned AR points and moved up on the wall. They plan to have an auction at the end of the year for the students to spend their money. This is in place of the AR store. Each teacher will spend the \$30 to buy prizes and goodies for the students to purchase with their classroom money. The more reason they've done the more goodies they'll get to buy.
 - \$186.94 (\$4.90/ 35 students): 4th grade is wanting to purchase books (If you traveled West in a covered wagon) go along with their social studies standards and the study of the history of Kansas. They use them yearly in January. Their copies are pretty beat up, so they would replace the current copies.
 - \$515.76 (\$85.96/ 6): Neo-Rock chairs allow individual to rock and tilt in all directions with a unique rounded base design. The distinctive, propylene stool is the perfect fit for our interactive classrooms. The stool is lightweight and easy to transport. The ability to move an environment is proven to enhance learning, concentration, and attentiveness. they are requesting to per classroom.
 - It was suggested that the money from the movie night (\$192) go towards the purchase and PTO will come up with the rest (\$599).
 - Cheryl Tuckwin motioned to approve, it was seconded by Casi Birnley and a unanimous vote by all.
- Shari Weeks is requesting \$434 for the fifth grade classes

- \$310 (\$5/ 62 students): For the 5th grade conclusion of the environmental unit, the zoo offers classes that last about 2 hours. They will see and touch specific animals, then have a predator/prey activity.
- \$124 (\$2/ 62 students): After lunch, the 5th grade will tour the zoo.
 - Since the education department at the zoo and admission are separate, two checks will need to be provided.
- Motion to approve by Sonja Garrett, seconded by Laura Harrison and a unanimous vote to approve by all.

Committee Report

- Family Food Night
 - Going Bonkers
 - Chipotle
 - Both dates are TBA
- Title Night
 - Big thank you to HOG WILD BBQ for catering the event
 - Tremendous turn out, everything went great
 - 174 RSVP'd and 250+ came out
 - Positive feedback, all around
 - This will be a yearly thing, but will change the date in the future
- Carnival
 - Silent Auction brought in \$1800 (not completely counted)
 - Food profited \$300, roughly
 - Raffle profited \$267
- Kindergarten Roundup
 - April 6
 - Everything is ready to go
 - Will need volunteers for the day, roughly 4-7
 - Casi Birnley will set something up
- Teacher Appreciation
 - May 7th-11th
 - Baseball Theme
 - Volunteers are needed
 - Sarah Packard will set something up
- It was moved by Laura Harrison and seconded by Melinda Patterson to adjourn the meeting

- Meeting adjourned at 7:43 pm

If you have any questions regarding anything you've read above, please email AEPTO437@gmail.com