

Farley Elementary PTO Meeting

Meeting Agenda

February 15, 2018

17:30 (5:30PM)

I. Call to order

Co-Presidents: Ashley Smith/Bobbi Overbey

Co-Vice Presidents: Shannon Obdyke/Jessica Samuels

Treasurer: Matt Harader

Secretary: Amanda Danielson

Members at Large: Corrie Yarrow, Jacqueline Lightcap

Previous Presidents: Cat St. John/ Angelyn Vogel

Room Parent Coordinator: Jenn Shipp

Box Tops Coordinator: Kathleen Billings

II. Teacher Presentations

- Mr. Karns- Music Teacher-
Kindergarten is working on their concert preparation for their concert in April
1st/2nd grade is working on their concert preparation as well. 1st grade theme is animals and 2nd grade concert theme is travel
3rd- They are working on rhythm and note naming
4th- Recorder season
5th Band- Biggest 5th grade band with 49 students. They are advancing in their music book and getting prepared for their concert toward the end of the year
6th Band/Chorus- working on honing their skills for BandFest on April 26 in the WRHS gym and ChorusFest on March 29.
- Miss Wayner- PE Teacher- please see attached information for PE report
- Miss Artzer- presented a slide show of activities that students are doing in their classroom

Principal Report- Dr. Cassidy

Thank you for attending P/T conferences

Want to assure parents that we do have a crisis plan if an intruder should enter the building. There is no one right crisis plan because you don't know what is going to happen. The plan will not be published because we don't want everyone to know what it is. We will do a drill and the teachers will work with their class on what to do if this should happen. We want to be proactive not reactive.

Flu Season: Farley has been hit pretty hard. Nurse is asking if your student has a fever please keep them home. We would rather have the students safe and healthy rather than at school sick and exposing everyone.

Training has been completed for teacher in grades 3-6 for State Assessments. We want them to do the best that they can. We ask that you avoid appointments during the state assessment times. Please look for your child's specific date and time from your teacher.

We are looking for a secretary. If you know someone, please let Dr. Cassidy know. If you are looking for a schedule the same as your student, please consider this.

III. Treasurer's Report (Matt Harader)

PTO has had numerous teacher requests.

We have received over \$2000.00 from Dillons. Thank you for registering your community rewards to Farley Elementary and for buying lots of groceries.

IV. Fundraiser Update:

Art Walk Update:

Farley First Friday Art walk will be on Friday, April 6, 2018 from 5:30-7pm on the Farley Elementary grounds. Ashley Smith will be sending out flyers and invitations cards. Sending to WIBW and KSNT to advertise. Sending Martin Weishaar a PDF flyer to advertise. Mrs. Kufahl stated that Scholastic is allowing her to do BOGO for books.

Chick fil A night: February 22nd from 4pm-7pm Stand alone at 17th and Wanamaker

Read-a-thon: The company is giving 75% back to the school. Starts March 2 Ends March 16

V. Special Presentation by Ashley Smith and Corrie Yarrow

Playground Presentation

Read-a-thon is going to be a big fundraiser for funding the playground addition to make it peer inclusive. What are we adding? There is a space large enough in the existing playground that we are able to reconfigure and add to it. There is going to be a buddy bench (if you are at recess and having a rough day then you can go to the buddy bench in hopes that someone will come and support you), steering panel, ten-spin (like a merry-go-round but much safer), cruiser (everyone will get on and it can will glide back and forth)

Going to relocate the teeter totters and put the new equipment there, looking at either tiles or pour in place rubber

We will start this as soon as possible. This expenditure is going to be approximately 40K.

VI. Committee Reports:

Box Tops Committee: Andrea Beach

Fall submission check was \$1,152.

Spring submission is due February 28

If you would like to send a blast to your neighborhood, get with Andrea. You would be surprised how many people in your neighborhood would donate.

Farley was 24th in the state of Kansas

Farley was 2nd in Northeast Kansas

Way to go!!

Please check out the boxtops website to enter the Sweepstakes!

PTO Initiative 2017-2018

1. We will be updating all classrooms with supplies, equipment, and tools that are shown to create a conducive learning environment for all of our children.
2. We will be expanding our playground. This is a huge project and we are so grateful to Ms. Ogden for offering to write grants for us! We hope to add an 800- square-foot playground that is accessible to all children. This will be a great addition to our school and every child at Farley will benefit. Preliminary plans include some shaded areas for kids to hang out under and play, too.

Next Meeting: May 10th, 2018 @ 5:30PM