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PTO MEETING MINUTES

**Tuesday
January 10, 2016**

Welcome:

Happy New year to all! At 7pm Julie Pendegraft welcomed everyone in attendance. Secretary's report was reviewed.

Motion to approve, Roxanne Muma seconded by Kris Castle

Treasurer's Report:

Amy Marsh went over the income and cash flow statements. She noted the only change to budget is due to hiring the new 3rd grade teacher. We allotted Ms Baumert a classroom budget of \$200 and then \$50 for her Valentine party, same as all other classroom teachers. "Teacher classroom supplies" category and the "Classroom parties" line increased \$50. All in attendance approved this increase.

December Income was \$26.58 from Amazon Smile, and we also received a Family donation from the Muma family. Thank you to the Muma family for their donation and all who participated in Amazon Smile. December Expenses- of the \$1,356.58 approved for teacher spending for the Spirit of Giving conducted in the December meeting. \$960.73 has been spent, the remainder will be coming in shortly. We also paid out \$650 for Winter Assembly, and regular staff reimbursements.

Motion to approve, Josephine Bilek seconded by Kris Castle

Business Partners/Family Fun nights

Diane Rogers went over the next Family fun night. It will be December 19th from 5-8 at Cheese Burger in Paradise. Last month our proceeds from Family Fun night at Jimmy Johns were \$90.40. Thank you to everyone for your participation in these events to give back to Skyline. Total income for the school year thus far from Family Fun nights: \$554.37.

Principal Report:

Mr Luebbe mentioned that 100th day of School is quickly approaching and will be January 24th, please look for information coming home with students for additional participation activities. Also coming out soon will be the scheduler for Parent/Teacher conferences please look for this around the end of the month.

We are excited to have been able to add Amy Baumert for our 4th class 3rd grade teacher! She has been a great addition to our school. Thank you to the parents who have been really supportive of this change and welcoming Ms Baumert. The kids are really liking the portable, they are staying positive and supporting the changes as well.

Kindergarten round up is coming up, so far 50 kids are on the list to come. We will have the exact number in the near future but we are thinking it will be pretty close to last year's numbers. We may split up the round up to morning and afternoon sessions. We want to try to give the kids time to meet teachers and take things a bit more slow instead of rushing through the event.

Thank you for the snacks for the Winter assembly. The Omaha Street percussion was awesome we have enjoyed having them the last few years. Also thank you for Wednesday snacks, traffic duty volunteers, Birthday books and classroom volunteers!!

Roxanne Muma requested to have child care for Parent teacher conferences, Amy Marsh mentioned that she has spoken to the other Elkhorn schools to try to brain storm and get ideas on how they do it and works best for them. We have found out that they do not have child care in place either. This does not mean that we cannot do it, we can look into it and see what might be plausible and beneficial for everyone. We have a 98-99% attendance rate for parents for the conferences, we try to have book fair going on at the time so that kids have things to do, we welcome ideas you may have to help occupy the children during that time. We are willing to try to have some EPS middle schoolers and National Honor Society to come and help out with the kids during the upcoming conference times for child care. When the time comes closer we will send out a notification for parents.

Other Business:

Spirit of Giving wrap up: You will find the complete list of items approved for the Spirit of Giving on the December meeting minutes. We got more info for the concrete request to widen the front sidewalks. So far the bid range is \$3,800-\$6,300. We will be getting another bid coming up before making the decision. We have been looking into the water bottle "Filler" to attach to the drinking fountains. We will be putting it by the 5th grade fountain, accessible for everyone to use. The amount should be between \$500-\$700. We will have the final number by next month's meeting to finalize the vote.

Kris Castle covered Bingo for Books on January 20th at 6:00pm. There will be Sam and Louie's pizza for \$2 a slice, it will be first come first serve. Bingo will start at 6:30. When the child wins bingo, they win a new book and it will be .25 per Bingo Card. Book fair is coming up soon on February 15th and 16th which is the same time as the parent teacher conferences– please watch for email request for the volunteer sign up. Next month we will start carnival committee sign up!! YAY! Carnival will be April 21st, there will be more information coming in the February meeting so if you would like to volunteer please let a PTO member know. Box tops update, we are close to getting the November submission which was about \$800.

Possible new program- Caught you Caring program. This will involve encouraging the children to do caring and nice things for each other. The idea is to give the child a ticket when they are found doing these things. When they receive this coupon/ticket it will be worth .50 that they can spend in the school store. We will need to purchase the tickets to use for this program.

Motion to approve spending \$250 for the tickets – all in attendance were in favor.

Ashley Bedlan gave the tally for the HyVee receipts, the amount was doubled from last year at

\$134,000 worth of receipts in turn we will get \$670.00. Also, if we reach \$250,000 in receipts for Family Fare they will pay us \$1,000 and they allow that year round so please bring your Family Fare receipts to school at the drop box by the front door.

New Project coming up. We have had several requests to install an ice machine in the school. We have been looking in to this and realized they are on the higher end when it comes to spending. Mr Luebbe has met with a few people on pricing and selection, the ice machines are good for about 10-15 years so this could be helpful for quite a long time for the school in multiple ways; the kitchen, PTO events and of course the students and teachers during the school year. As more information becomes available for this we will let you know in future meetings.

8:05 pm Julie Pendegraft requested motion to adjourn the meeting

Motion approved by:

Ashley Bedlan

seconded by Kris Castle

Meeting adjourned 8:06pm

Respectfully Submitted by Jennifer Ridenour