



PTO BOARD MEMBERS:

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PTO MEETING MINUTES

**Thursday
Sept 7th, 2017**

Welcome

Michelle Epstein welcomed everyone in attendance and the meeting started at 7:03pm. Introductions for the 2017-2018 PTO board were made.

Secretary's report was handed out and reviewed

Motion to approve: Paul Randazzo

Seconded by: Erin Mohring

Treasurer's report:

Amy Marsh reviewed financial sheet from last year.

Last year's Income: fundraising \$35k, business partners \$1,194, Bakers \$184, Tagg \$157, Amazon Smile \$145.

Last year activities were under budget. Budget inclusion for what was purchased and requested from budget. Reimbursement form can be obtained from office or from the PTO website.

The current budget will need some minor changes due to additional costs this year that we didn't have last year. The current budget will be at least \$300 higher but no further approval will be needed due to the amount being under \$500. Business partners donated money for entertainment. And T-shirts have not been budgeted.

Currently cash on hand is \$50k. \$24,294 is allocated for next year's budget. There is a surplus of approximately \$2,000 to date after this year's and next year's budget.

It was requested that Kindergarten and The Spirit of giving t-shirts be budgeted next year. Michelle Epstein that spirit giving is difficult to budget as it could vary on teacher needs but t-shirts can be included. Amy Marsh will add it to next year's budget. The budget meeting for next year will be in May 2018.

Principal report:

Mr Luebbe ran through the principal's report. Upcoming important dates will be posted on the website but to take note of, Mid quarter reports are coming home Sept 13th. Stallion Stomp the 15th, and No school on Sept 18th.

Introduction of new staff included:

Ashley Ridder- K

Kaylee Sorensen- 1st

Miranda Mull- 4th

Katie Ehle- 5th

Natalie Shirley- SPED

Brooke Svec- School Psychologist

Lisa Naylor, Trissy Franzen, Jen Kaiser- TA

Sarah Champion- Guidance, Full time

Devon Watson will serve as assistant principal and assist with UNO cadre teachers.

Enrollment: We currently have 523 students this fall, this is up from the 444 from last year. Blue Sage will be opening in Oct 2018 and so far no boundary lines have been made.

Health Screenings will be coming up with Tina, the school nurse on Nov 10th. Reminders will be sent out. We will be looking for 20 volunteers for the morning to assist in this.

The school will implement a new feature called the "Buddy Bench". This is a bench were kids can sit who are feeling lonely or need someone to play with. All students will be trained to recognize those who are sitting on the bench and will be encouraged to reach out to them. Mrs. Champion will include this bench into her guidance counseling. The Buddy Bench has been successful at other schools. Donations are being considered for the bench.

Thank you to all who have donated for the Hurricane Harvey relief fund, Wednesday Snacks, and everyone who volunteers

Paul Randazzo, the Capital Improvements Officer, spoke about new landscaping projects that are scheduled to take place. New landscaping needed in certain areas due to the removal of dead trees. Landscaping will be designed to hide the trash containers that are now visible. The total cost will be \$4700. District will provide \$1700 to this effort. Due to the recent passing of local sophomore, Alex Casper, 5 trees will be planted in his honor and a memorial created as part of the landscaping project. Staff has raised \$300 to assist with this effort.

Other Business:

Michelle reminded everyone in attendance if they wish to volunteer or who wish to be on the committee to please visit the skyline pto website.

Pick up and Drop off has been running relatively smooth. Please remember to make sure kids are ready to exit the vehicle upon arriving. Have the kids get out on their own – no need to wait for someone to open the door for them. No cellphone usage during the PU/DO. Use crosswalks as necessary and be aware of where they are/those crossing.

264 pieces of school apparel have been ordered and have already been sold. Girls shirts will be arriving this week. Under Armour apparel is still at the warehouse with no ETA. Back to School 101 brought \$948 in profits. 236 more pieces to be ordered. \$2780 is the projected profit if all apparel is sold.

Julie Pendegraft covered the upcoming Stallion Stomp. 49 order forms have been received. There are 6 contestants for kissing the pig, Mr. Kevin Bacon. Jen Rutar will be teaching the student population a dance that will be performed during the event. The event has a fundraising goal of \$5k. Order forms are on the website. Raffle prizes have been donated by many local vendors, and \$1463 has been raised so far.

NewBusiness:

Michelle Epstein covered new business. The school will be replacing the current trash cans and benches in the play area due to old age. We are looking to replace the blacktop in the playground as well. Paul Randazzo has been tasked with researching the cost for the new items. This should be a district expense.

Natalie Shirley proposed a request for \$1,688 to purchase IXL licenses for Language Arts. Vote will be given to this proposal during the October meeting.

Michelle Hensinger – Proposal for providing treats to all staff during the Christmas holiday to show appreciation. Donations will be taken from all interested in donating baked goods or wintery drink mixes, or money to purchase such items. She requested \$220 – \$320 to purchase plastic containers, goodie bags, and container décor. Michelle Epstein requested motion to approve the expense. Request approve unanimously.

8:15pm Michelle Epstein requested motion to adjourn the meeting

Meeting adjourned at 8:15pm

Respectfully Submitted by Jennifer Ridenour