

# October PTO Meeting Minutes

6 p.m. October 15, 2024

- I. Treasurer's Report - Allison Nothing out of the ordinary this month.
- II. Old Business
  - A. Pep Rally 10/4 this was a ton of fun - big entrance by Principals in costume, Ms. Bassford turned into an ice cream Sundae and Dr. Blaine took several pies to the face.
  - B. Sponsored Shirts sent home the Friday before Fall Break. \$3800 from sponsors - shirts were ~\$3100 so excess funding from that!
  - C. Coupon Books over 800 books sold this was a big accomplishment - Mr. Blaine thanked Lori Hensley, Ms. Brantley, Ms. Coleman and Ms. Story for their efforts organizing everything. Principal for the Day reward will be next week for top sellers.
- III. New Business
  - A. Walk to School Day - moved to 10/16 to align with the district Kim Day Training is sponsoring this event and will pass out snacks and waters as kids arrive.
  - B. Make-Up Picture day - Tuesday, 10/22
    1. Need two volunteers needed to help with this from 10:30am-12pm Hannah Loomis volunteered to help with this and Jackie will put out a message on GroupMe to see if we can get another volunteer.
  - C. Skatetown Fundraiser - Tuesday, 10/22 - 5:30-7:30pm Cassie will copy flyer and put them in teacher boxes to go home Friday.
    1. Prize for classroom with highest attendance We will do donuts for this prize. We will be sure to ask if there are any gluten allergies. The Donut Shop was recommended if there are.
  - D. Author Visit - Megan Two visits scheduled on upcoming early release half days - Lucy Branam on 11/20/24 and Illustrator Daniel Wiseman on 2/12/25. Megan is coordinating with Mrs. Kelly and she will let us know if she needs any volunteers when it gets closer. She plans to take photos/videos at the events to share on social media. She thinks it will be a fun experience and hopes this will inspire the kids.

- E. Spirit Wear - Amanda Kim updated that Amanda will be adding and updating Spiritwear on Memberhub so we can take pre-orders hopefully starting next week.
- F. Basketball Court Update - Cassie  
The basketball court is still in the works. We were not able to complete the project over Fall Break because KCS wanted to meet again to iron out the details. Wes, Cassie and Dr. Cottrell met with them on 10/14. We have to submit two documents and once they are approved we will be able to schedule the project. It is looking to be quite a lot less than originally planned after many generous donations. Dr. Blaine suggested adding a second basketball goal given the lower project cost.
- G. Teacher Appreciation Update - Megan/Amanda Megan shared that the teacher supplies provided in September were almost all gone so they thought that meant it was a success. The teachers in attendance said they appreciated it. This month's appreciation will be October 21st. PTO will provide coffee and donuts.
- H. Marquee Update - Kim Kim said that Dr. Cottrell shared the current amount that we have available to contribute to the marquee with KCS and then we will get a quote and find out if the rest can be covered by KCS.
- I. Popcorn Machine Request - Kim Ms. Story has requested a new popcorn machine. The one she's used for 8 years is no longer working. It was agreed that we would get this for her. Kim is going to follow up to see if she has picked out a new one.
- J. Upcoming PTO Closet Clean Out There have been signs of rodents in the closet and it needs a good clean out. We are going to ask teachers to remove anything that shouldn't be in there by next Friday, October 25th. Dr. Blaine will send out this notice to the staff. Anyone willing from PTO will meet at 1pm on Sunday, October 27th to clean and organize.
- K. Pepcat Prowl - Candice Planning is going well. Our goal was \$750 for sponsorships and we got \$800. It was suggested that we include all three sponsors on the flyer even though the "Pepcat Sponsor" was originally noted as only being displayed at the event and on social media. The cut off date for student fundraising turn in will be end of day the Wednesday before the event to give time to tally and finalize winners. There are prizes

for classes based on total sales and incentives for the school as well. Classroom teachers will get 25% from everything raised directly for their classroom. The remaining 75% will go toward school improvements and general use. Erin Norman volunteered Rocky to help make a promo/hype video for this. Candice is going to work on the schedule for the day. The event will take place during Related Arts time slots in the gym.

L. Futures Dates to Note

1. Early Release Half Day - November 20th - 11:15am dismissal
2. Book Fair - December 9th - 13th

- IV. Principal Remarks: Dr. Blaine thanked everyone in the room as well as the whole staff. He commented that we have such great people that are all working so hard and he is thankful for that. He realizes how much everyone has going on and how much time and energy everyone puts toward FCE.

Katie Branam mentioned a student that requested hooks on the backs of the bathroom doors in the upstairs bathrooms. Jackie is going to order hooks and we will plan to add these when we come on Sunday 10/27 to work on the closet.

\*\* Next PTO meeting Tuesday, November 12th at FCE in the Library at 6pm.