

## East Troy Elementary PTO Meeting Minutes - November 15, 2023

Call to order at 6:00 PM by Dani Foster

Approved minutes from October meeting: 1st by Sara Domagalski & 2nd by Bailey Kaiser

### **Principal Corner:**

Lindsey Harris: Thanks to the PTO for the pumpkins at the Pumpkins in the Prairie event! Positive feedback from the staff regarding the Day of Awesomeness. November 30th is the end of the first trimester and report cards will be available shortly after. The music concerts will be in December this year. 1st grade concert is Dec. 7th and 5k concert is Dec. 14th. December's monthly PBIS theme at LP is Self-Control. Community Showcase Night for the Christmas lights in the village square will be Saturday, Dec. 16th.

Mark Weerts: Thank you for the Toothpicks dinner during parent teacher conferences! PV shifted to student led conferences this year and feedback was positive from staff and parents. Parts of the "Frog and Toad" performance from the high school drama students will be presented to elementary students on Friday, Nov. 17th. School district's report card was released and it was mostly positive. Must be more assertive with families regarding student absences. Next school board meeting is focused on how each school is setting goals to contribute to a better school district overall.

### **Event Look Back:**

*Pumpkins in the Prairie:* event went great; weather was wonderful; ran into a slight snag with the pumpkin clean up because the trailer we were counting on was broken; perhaps there is a way that we can minimize the movement of pumpkins next year

*Book Fairs:* each school brought in around \$6,800 in earnings; experienced some inventory issues at LP with Literati; in spring we should be able to request more books from Literati to stock our shelves; POS system and set up were much easier with Literati versus Scholastic; we still have book fair dates with both Literati and Scholastic set so we'll determine which vendor we stick with as spring nears

*Day of Awesomeness:* prize distribution went well since they were all prepackaged; inflatable event went well; perhaps we can have the lion and panther mascots out walking around at event next year; next year offer a movie playing on the wall for kids who are more sensory sensitive or another offering in a separate room to accommodate those needs

### **Upcoming Events:**

*Dine Out Day: Gus's 11/15* - Proceeds from sales will go towards PTO so go get ice cream after the meeting!

*Family Night: Roller Skating Thursday 11/30* - 5:30 - 8 pm; private event for our elementary schools; PTO is paying for each admission, skate rental, Skate Mate (if needed) and dinner for all who attend; fliers will be out in yellow folders next week

*Kringle Sales 11/1-11/27 and Kringle Pick Up 12/9* - Monica and Sue are collecting money for kringle orders; order forms due Nov. 27th; we will be doing data entry of orders to make the pick up process smoother; looking to recruit approximately 15-20 volunteers for distribution day

*Prairie View Gym Sound System* - new sound system installation will occur over holiday break

*Little Prairie Playground Shade* - hoping to start a capital campaign to earn funds for this

### **Funding Requests:**

*Kohls Wild Theater – Heather Glass*- Milwaukee County Zoo's theater program will come to LP and put on a performance for 5k-2nd grade at a cost of \$150; board approved the cost

*Running Club – Chad Peloquin*- recreational running club to build kids' endurance and garner interest in track and field; still in review process for approving funds

### **Treasurer's Report**

Bulk of fundraising monies came in this month; total raised after fundraising operating costs was \$17,030.48; the total deposited into the PTO account this month was \$18,945; Princess Cafe wrote PTO a check for \$500 for their Dine Out Day even though only \$150 was earned (THANK YOU!); School Toolbox monies earned was \$359.26

### **Public Comments:**

NA

**Next PTO meeting Wednesday, January 17 at 6 PM in the Little Prairie Library.**

Meeting adjourned at 7:03 PM.