

## **Grundy PTO Meeting – Monday, September 27th, 2021**

The meeting was called to order by Denise Martin at 6:31pm.

Those in attendance were Denise Martin, Besarta Basha, Anna Bennett, Tara Meester, Toni Martiens, Michael Saunders, Elise Pate, Gina Stubar, Erica Kennedy, Tim Kennedy, Misty Formhals, Uriah Kilsalm, Morgan Massey, Caitlin Cooper, Angel Fisher, Olivia Galbert and Melinda Fuller.

Introductions were made.

The Minutes from the August 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2021 PTO meeting were reviewed and approved.

### **Committee Reports:**

**After School Clubs** : – Mr. Saunders, present.

Update on Running Club: Running Club has just ended. Out of 70 running club participants , 35 took part in the Pumpkin Festival Pumpkin Run.

Mrs. Williams' volleyball club for 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade girls is ongoing.

Mrs. Wendling's theatre and drama club has started.

Mrs. Fisher – present – gave a quick introduction to the book club she is helping to host, and currently running.

**Book Fair:** Gina Strubhar - present. No update

### **Box Tops for Education:**

Caitlyn Cooper – present - has offered to take over as chair. No updates.

**Carnival:** Misty Formhals - present - will be taking over as chair. Co-chairs are still needed for areas such as:

Wristbands

Cakewalk

Food and drink

Prizes

Baskets

Tim and Erika Kennedy have located the carnival binder and will be available to assist this year.

Carnival for this year is scheduled for February 18<sup>th</sup> from 5pm – 8pm.

**Fannie May:** Gina Strubhar, present.

Sale kicks off on Friday with the Fanny Mae Assembly at 2pm. The Fanny Mae Rep will be there. A suggestion was made to somehow limit the number of drink refills the younger children could have at the movie-prize.

Angel Fisher offered the library as a venue for money counting, which is due to take place on the 15<sup>th</sup> of November.

**Fast Food Nights:** – Dan Beckler, not present.

- Kona Ice presented Grundy with a check of \$186.00.
- Kona Ice tally from 27<sup>th</sup> of August is not yet available.

Tara Meester relayed a suggestion from the Kindergarten teachers that the PTO might want to pick up the tab for the younger children at Kona events as many forget/don't have the required money and teachers often pay out of their own pocket so no one goes without. The PTO covering this cost would help with this. Kona Ice offers small cup refills for a flat fee of \$400.00.

- Grundy's Great Harvest days are scheduled for October 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>.
  - Pizza Ranch has cancelled our upcoming date due to a scheduling conflict.
- No other events on the books at this time.

**Grundy Gear:** The Fall order was dropped off at Grimm's last Monday. We are hoping to get them back in about a week and a half or so. We had a great response to the sale. We will have another sale in the spring,

**Laugh Olympics:** – Jayne Eisenman - not present. No update.

**Mystery Science:** – Anna Bennett - present. No update.

**Picture Person:** –Jessica Hancock -not present.

Emails to be sent out by the end of next weekend to parents who would like to volunteer for October.

Motion made to change Picture Person name to Artistic Adventures. Motion approved. Will be referred as such in the minutes going forward.

**PTO Publicity:** – Andrea White- not present

Andrea has been updating the school board and posting items to the Facebook page as they've come in and has sent the one page flyer about how to support Grundy financially through programs such as Kroger, Amazon smile etc.

**Room Parent Coordinators:** – Tiffany Parrott - not present.

Tiffany is currently trying to fill all room parent positions. The first party is Halloween, and info will go out to room parents about that.

**School Supply Kits:** – Ashley Smith – not present. No update.

**Teacher Appreciation:** – Krista Donnelly - not present.

First luncheon of the year is on the 6<sup>th</sup> of October and sponsored by the 6<sup>th</sup> grade parents. Sign up geniuses to go out.

A suggestion was made for teachers to make a more updated favorites list. This was done but a request was made for Amazon wish lists or the like to be included to offer parents more options come gift giving time.

### **Maintenance of List of Donations from Businesses:**

- None for August.

### **Budget Report:**

Tara Meester - present, Elise Pate - present.

- Numbers to note:
  - We have \$19728.00 in the checking account and \$409.00 in savings.
  - \$4338.00 for the Grundy Gear will be going out.
  - We have \$950.00 in outstanding checks.
  - \$9000.00 should be kept in mind for the sign that we still need to pay for.
  - This only leave us with \$5500.00 in our account until Fanny Mae sales come in.
  - \$750.00 is still set aside for Elaina's garden.
  - Agreement was made to hold off on purchases till after the Fanny Mae sale is over.
- **Old Business**
  - Sign update:  
Sign company is having trouble acquiring material to build signs – Hoping to get it built before Christmas.
  - Mrs Shook might not need her office budget. Mr Saunders to check.
  - Grundy Grapevine Brochures  
Toni Martiens has submitted a suggestion to create a Grundy "business directory" of Grundy families with businesses. A form will go out to families to fill out and they will have the opportunity to list their business in the Grundy Grapevine. Other Grundy families will then have the chance to support each other.

### **New Business**

#### **Teacher Input**

Angel Fisher: Reading adventures takes over from AR. Request may be made in the future for a kind of prize and/or reward for reading in place of AR. They are thinking of types of rewards for students.

#### **Principal's Report**

Eliana's plaque and stone is ready to be installed.

Sept 30 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade field trip to Tanner's Orchard from 8:30-2:00; Homecoming parade at 5:45 on Jefferson Street

Oct 1                    Fannie May Candy Sale kick-off assembly at 2:00 in the gym; Homecoming game at 7:00 at MHS

Oct 4                    Grundy Reading Adventure assembly at 2:15

Oct 5                    Grundy Day #1 at Great Harvest; Board meeting at 5:30

Oct 6                    Grundy Day #2 at Great Harvest; Dismissal at 11:55; PTO staff luncheon at 12:00 sponsored by 6<sup>th</sup> grade parents; Blood Drive from 1:00-6:00

Oct 7                    Grundy Fall Music Program (5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>) at 6:30

Oct 11                   Columbus Day – no school

Oct 12                   Fannie May orders due

Oct 14                   School picture retakes

Oct 15                   Dismissal at 11:55; End of 1<sup>st</sup> quarter

Oct 18                   Choir concert at 6:30

Oct 20                   Report cards go home

Oct 21                   Parent-Teacher Conferences from 8:00-7:00

Oct 22                   Parent-Teacher Conferences from 8:00-12:00

Oct 25                   Red Ribbon Week; PTO meeting at 6:30

Oct 28                   “It’s the Great Pumpkin, Charlie Brown” at 1:30

Oct 29                   Announcing Students of Character for Responsibility; Halloween parade and parties at 1:15

#### **PTO “Parking Lot”**

- 1.) School supply kits for Kindergartners : Andrea to make enquiries with her representative at Staples regarding having a certain amount of kits available for kindergarten families on a first-come-first serve basis at the start of the year.
- 2.) Grundy Gear – can it be pre-stocked (especially for Kindergarten sizes) before school starts.
- 3.) Besa will donate a meal during Teacher Appreciation Week again.
- 4.) Spruce up fire truck on playground.
- 5.) Rubber mat for playground instead of rocks.
- 6.) Teacher Appreciation: Request for teachers to update their lists and possibly make Amazon
- 7.) Grundy Family Business Directory: Forms to go out to Grundy families, giving those who have their own businesses an opportunity to advertise in the Grapevine.

8.) Suggestion to use Kona Ice's "unlimited cups" option for younger students at future events where Grundy is paying.

- **Adjournment**

**Meeting adjourned at 7.39pm by Denise Martin**