

Grundy PTO Meeting – Monday, May 20, 2019

Meeting was called to order by Jessica Belsly at 7:20pm. Those in attendance were Jessica Belsly, Erica Kennedy, Michael Saunders, Julie LeMasters, Elise Pate, Ashley Smith, Toni Martiens, Gina Strubhar, Anna Bennett, Holly Manthey, Mike Manthey, and Dan Beckler.

The Minutes from the April 29, 2019 PTO meeting were reviewed and approved.

Committee Reports:

Accelerated Reading – Sara Dally, not present, & Elise Pate, present. The final Prize Patrol was held on Friday, May 17.

After School Clubs – No chair. All clubs done for the year. If no chair is found for next year, Mr. Saunders may fill the chair himself.

Book Fair – Jessica Belsly, present & Andrea White, not present. Jessica provided context on recent communications with Scholastic regarding the Scholastic Dollar balance – the Book Fair committee typically maintains a large Scholastic Dollars balance over the summer to use early in the Fall.

Box Tops for Education – Erica Kennedy, present. Pizza and Cupcake parties were held on May 17 for the classes that won for bringing in the most box tops.

Carnival – Holly Manthey, present & Mike Manthey, present. They are looking for someone to shadow them next year with the intent on taking over the Chair during the 2020-2021 school year.

Fannie May – Gina Strubhar, present & Jackie Elsesser, not present. No update.

Fast Food Nights – Dan Beckler, present. The Kona Ice event at the Grundy Picnic on May 16 brought in approximately \$120, the Peoria Chiefs event on May 17 sold 144 tickets which should result in \$288. Preliminary talks underway with Potter's Alley Bowling for a multi-night event in December. Question about whether or not we should attempt to have 2 Pizza Ranch nights during the next school year – general response was that it was OK to do so. Avanti's mentioned as a potential Food Night.

Grundy Gear – Mr. Saunders, present. No update.

Laugh Olympics – Jayne Eisenman, not present. Date set for Thursday, May 23, the last full day for students.

Mystery Science – Jessica Belsly, present. Anna is taking over the chair next year and is reaching out to teachers. She plans to stock the bins over the summer. If possible, either turn in receipts before the close of books on June 30, or hold the receipts until the books reopen in August.

Picture Person – No chair. Sarah is taking the binders home to review and revise for 2019-2020.

PTO Publicity – Andrea White, not present. Andrea has updated the PTO bulletin board for May – please contact her if you have any content for the PTO bulletin board or the PTO Facebook page. The Grundy PTO Facebook page has 362 followers.

Room Parent Coordinators – Tiffany Parrott, not present. Parties are wrapped up for the school year.

School Supply Kits – Ashley Smith, present. The deadline for paper orders was Friday, May 17 and we've received 45 paper orders. Online ordering still available until Friday, May 24 and 34 collected so far by that channel. The kits will be delivered over the summer and passed out during registration.

Teacher Appreciation – Sarah Chadbourn, not present. Looking for a Chairperson for next year.

Yearbook – Amanda Wright, not present. Yearbooks have arrived and were distributed.

Maintenance of List of Donations from Businesses

No additional updates.

Budget Report:

Sara Dally not present, Julie LeMasters, present. Money received from Amazon Smile and Dairy Queen. Outgoing expenses include AR Prizes, carnival, music fund, Mrs. Gillhouse kits, and Teacher Appreciation.

Need to add the Grundy Picnic as a line item for next year.

Close of books is June 30 and receipts are needed before then or should be held until August.

Old Business

- Explore options for families to contribute to Grundy PTO via card payment – Sara continues to research options, including Square.
- Vote to decide which playground slide to purchase – Viper Straight or S 6 foot model for \$8,461 – the students overwhelmingly selected the Viper S.
Motion to purchase the Viper S (curvy) 6 foot model for \$8,461 - approved
- Vote to elect Anna Bennett for Vice President; Dan Beckler for Secretary
Motion to elect Anna Bennett for Vice President – approved
Motion to elect Dan Beckler for Secretary - approved
- Vote to increase teacher homeroom budgets from \$250 to \$300 for a total increase of \$550 for 2019-2020
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New Business

- Solicit feedback for the PTO committee sign up process presented at registration – last year, some changes were made to the location of the PTO sign up in the registration

packet. Also, more clarity was provided to the forms and only one form needed to be filled out for families with multiple children in the school rather than one form per child in the past. It seems as though PTO participation was increased this past year and no further feedback was provided and the general reaction was to continue with this approach.

- Moms in Prayer typically meets every Wednesday, but this Wednesday there will instead be a Prayer Walk to Grundy, Jefferson, and Lincoln schools (it's a bit of a walk to Lettie Brown, so that school not part of the walk). This fall there will be a kickoff event that will hopefully include all four grade schools.

Teacher Input

- Note from Mrs. Matlock thanking the PTO. Mrs. Manthey, present at the meeting, added her thanks and appreciation as well.

Principal's Report

- May 24 – last day of classes with dismissal at 11:55am; Awards ceremony at 9:30am; Parent Reception at 11:00am
- The Viper S slide is expected to be installed on the playground in July.
- Lockers are expected to arrive in the last week in May and to be installed during the second week of June.
- New roof overlay to be installed over the summer to address hail damage from 2016.
- Fiberglass insulation to be removed from the school attic space and to be replaced with foam insulation over the summer.
- Two drinking fountains will be replaced by models that include bottle fillers, similar to the existing one by the gym – bringing the total of bottle filler models to three in the school.
- The playground drainage ditch will be reshaped over the summer.
- For 2019-2020, Mr. Stone will move from 6th Grad to 4th Grade; Mrs. Matlock will move to 5th Grade; Mrs. Weyland will move to Kindergarten; Mrs. Ackerman has resigned and the school has a vacancy for 1st Grade.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00pm. Minutes respectfully submitted by Dan Beckler.