

# DRAFT until approved at Feb. Meeting

## Crooked Lake PTO Minutes January 17, 2017

### Co-Chairperson Gretchen Jersey called the meeting to order

- Introductions-14 in attendance
- Survey-10 staff responses, 7 parent responses
  - Parents: Desire for more transparency
  - Staff: Maybe bring in an artist or musician instead of authors, more community involvement, host parenting classes
- From Robyn Hjorth-Martin the schoolsocial worker:
  - Backpack project-Still looking for sponsor for Sheridan Project
  - Need tennis shoes-all sizes. New or gently used.
- Update on 4th grade playground request from November. Paint for playground area-Sherwin Williams in Coon Rapids (Russell) He would like to know what the plan is- Suggested traffic paint. Yes, we can get about 4 gallons. He does have an artist that we could contact to do a mural.

### Treasurer's Report:

- Presented and approved

### Secretary's Report:

- Approved minutes from December

### Principal's Report: Mr. Sam Anderson

- Reading Corps-Susan Graham
- I Love to Read Kick Off Extravaganza
- Bus Safety poster contest-due January 30. Sheets and poster board in the office.
- Bus staff appreciation week last week
- Wargo Nature Center was out for Raptor Presentation-kids enjoyed it.
- Above and Beyond online application due January 20. See district website
- Oak View exploratory sessions for band, orchestra, and choir Jan 23 and 24 4-8 pm
- Conference sign up is up and running-please sign up
- No school on President's day Feb. 20 and Conferences day Feb. 21
- Kindness project up and running
- Equipment update-Buildings and grounds person was contacted regarding possible new playground addition: Teeter Tunnel (about \$8,000)

### Staff Report: Ms. Boekhoff and Mrs. Ledin

- Mrs. Ledin: 2nd grade was happy and thankful for the Scholastic magazines.
- Ms. Boekhoff: I Love to Read Night January 27 5:00-7:00
- Can't find grade levels for providing food-brainstorming possible ideas-maybe a food truck, maybe find parents for selling food. Mary Daumann is willing to work with Ms. Boekhoff to come up with a plan. Jet's Pizza and water. Gretchen Jerskey will handle the money. PTO will pay for pizza, cash will go into PTO account. Extra money into PTO. Flyer to follow with info. Candie will double check on who can handle money.
- May need more volunteers to help with food.
- S'More's treat for all students if they make it all the way around the school with their reading goals. Funding request for S'Mores ingredients. \$110

### Mrs. Julie Bowman:

- Thank you for rallying around the needs of our students.
- Kindness project-committee has met a couple of times.

### **Volunteer Coordinator's Report: Ms. Candie Hansen**

- I Love To Read Month/Book Fair: Youth Services Coordinators from Andover and Anoka have been contacted in regards to the student assistance that has been requested for the Kickoff Night.
- All but 2 time slots are filled for the Book Fair volunteer needs. These names will be processed by Thur., Feb 2 so that they are ready to help out with this great event.
- Volunteers have been able to come in and transfer Art work in our hallways for our Art teacher, Anne Mattis.
- Our next GM Box Top collection day is scheduled for this Thursday, 1/19. Our school received a check last week in the amount of \$681. These funds are put towards our classroom technology fund so that all students benefit.
- Will begin soliciting for Carnival volunteers with the February Volunteer Newsletter, on the school website, ENews and with email's sent to volunteers through the database. Same shifts will be offered as in the past, 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 12:15 to 2:30 p.m.
- One Stop Workshop for PTO's: Information about this event has been sent to all PTO contacts. Feel free to participate in this free day sponsored by AH Parent Involvement.
- Current Volunteer Total: 278
- Volunteer hours dedicated to date at Crooked Lake: 1327

### **Old Business:**

- Kindness project T-shirts are put on hold for the time being
- Destination Imagination 3 teams, learning to work together as groups. Team names, t-shirt designs. Possible presentations to the 4th and 5th grade classes as practice.

### **New Business**

- Funding requests-Ms. Boekhoff- S'mores ingredients for incentive for students to read. Ms. Boekhoff will submit formal funding requests.
- District Anti-Bullying task force would like to attend February PTO meeting
- March 2nd-no breakfast for I Love to Read Month
- Book swap books need to be in by Tuesday, January 24. No books accepted after January 24. Limit of 2 tickets. Book swap is only held January 27 during I Love to Read Night.
- Concerns about condition of parking lot, sidewalks and parking lot lights were brought to Mr. Anderson's attention and he has been following up with the custodial staff and the district.
- Staff appreciation dinner February 21-Gail Evans and Mary Dauman will plan but looking for a Chair. Budgeted for it to be catered.

Adjourned at 7:50 by Co-Chair Jerskey

Carnival Chair: Pete Pfister/Ted Peterson

5th grade Farewell party Chair: Christine McDonnell

Community Picnic Chair:

Staff Appreciation Dinner Chair: