

***CENTER ROAD SCHOOL
PTO Meeting Minutes
September 10, 2015***

CALL TO ORDER – attendance listed at the end of the minutes

OFFICERS REPORTS

- Board of Education – Anne Fischer – BOE welcomed back staff, honored long term paras, teachers, etc. Money allocated for air conditioning to library. BOE 9/14 7:00 PM.
- Principal's Report – Jocelyn Poglitsch & Mike DeBellis – JP – one new staff member Jessica Hale (?), special ed replacing Darby Schwartz. Opening of school went well, students settled in. Welcome back night went well. Drop off is going well. Safe Routes to School, Cindy Kristoff will follow up with Nancy Krupienski. Peggy Wilde rec'd incentive order form, will forward email and order prizes.
- President's Report - Kathleen Marth
 - Gift & Wrap starting this month.
 - RHS marching band looking for donation. \$25 donation, motion approved.
 - Square 1 Art, need to determine and vote on what the % will be going forward for Mrs. Robinson. Decided to wait to see what it earns this year to decide & vote closer to Spring so Mrs. Robinson can plan over the summer in preparation. Parent suggestion: have specials teacher request supplies as needed to make up.
 - Wolfpack is 3/12
 - Dr. Conway, feasibility study Wed, 9/16 6:00 PM at Central Office. Cindy Kristoff and Keri Hermanson will attend.
- Vice President's Report – Angela Fredrickson
 - Ice cream social, 9/18 6:00 – 8:00 PM. Forms due back tomorrow, 9/11. Offering dairy free option (sorbet) this year as requested.
- 2nd Vice President's Report – Brenna Dunnack/Peggy Wilde
 - PW – thank you for welcome back bagel spread.
 - 5th grade receipt to treasurer.
- Secretary's Report – Cindy Kristoff - approve June PTO Meeting Minutes – motion to approve carries.
- Treasurer's Report – Melissa Saucier – approval of June/August Treasurer's Report, Approval of 2015-2016 Budget
 - Chris Boyer – should have been a check for \$250 from Town of Vernon for Leslie Johnson, why is it showing as expense? CB will send her budget to MS.
 - Motion to approve June 2015 budget carries
 - MS – Audit for 2014 – 2015 budget.
 - CB – first assembly is coming up and will be approximately \$1600 for Mezzinotte. MS will update CB as we get closer on funds.
 - Motion to approve 2015 – 2016 proposed budget carries
 - Motion to approve August 2015 budget carries
 - Aetna/United Way, Amazon Smiles updated or in process to CRS PTO

COMMITTEE REPORTS

All committees' welcome new members at any time and no contribution is too small!

School Fair Karen Aafedt/Leslie Letourneau –

- LL taking over from KA
- School Fair 3/5, snow date 3/12. 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM.
- Application for building use submitted this week.
- Need Prize Coordinator
- Need shadow for kitchen
- Classroom baskets – discussion about changing up basket format as much of the purchasing fell on teachers, which is not the intent.
 - Better job communicating what's needed vs. cutting down on baskets this year
 - List out themes per classroom
 - Get themes out earlier
 - Double up on popular themes, get rid of unpopular themes
 - Send basket themes in late November

Shadows/members needed for committees

Square 1 (shadow)
Lyman Orchards
Spring Flowers
Color-a-thon – color run
Restaurants
Scholarship (2 members)
Gift Cards (shadow)
School Spirit – Spirit wear, Speedy Coordinator
Book Fair (shadow)
School Fair – Prizes coordinator – Becky Sullivan

CK – add explanation to each role

Add to newsletter – family members can sign up for store promos.

MS – ask Bridget Sutherland about doing Campbell's labels

NEW IDEAS/BUSINESS/VOTES REQUIRED

Square One Art – portion allotted to Mrs. Robinson in the future – 50% for 2015 – 2016, will discuss in the Spring for future amounts.

Fun Run/Color-a-thon – Keri Hermanson & Raychel Wishart will chair.

5th Grade Fundraising –

- PW – 5th grade used to do fundraising, sell t-shirts, sell chocolate. Can offset candy with popcorn.
- Brainstorm on ideas, ask classrooms

5th Grade Reception

- 4th grade put on for 5th grade?
- CRS 6th graders come back to share experiences
- Use RHS Culinary for refreshments

5th Grade Boston Trip

RHS- Marching band donation request

Popcorn & candy could go together.

Jeff Shambach –Lego League, robotics. PTO used to fund up to 3 teams. 4th & 5th graders (4th more informative, 5th more hands on/competitive). Need 2 parents to co-chair a team. Competition has already been released. Meet 2 nights per week. Can have up to 10 kids per team, 6-7 is manageable or can break into groups if max. Cost: registration is \$250 per team. Kit is \$75. Robot is \$499 (JS has one). The PTO may be able to get a grant for a 2nd one through UTC (parent employee of UTC). Need to act quickly. Competition is first week in December. JP – Regina Lee may have been involved in the past. Teachers could get involved as part of curriculum. PW – flyer about interest, 2nd parent.

DN – three openings on School Governance Council, flyer will go home.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Hope to see you at the next PTO meeting Thursday, 10/8/15. The meeting will begin at 6:30 p.m. Babysitting will be available.

CRS PTO is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization. Monetary donations are tax deductible.

Attendees:

Brenna Dunnack
 Peg Wilde
 Kathleen Marth
 Angela Frederickson
 Christine Boyer
 Jeff Shambach
 Katie Russo
 Carol Line Hazel
 Becky Sullivan
 Vin Kowalczyk
 Shutang Chen
 Leslie LeTourneau
 Anne Fischer
 Keri Hermanson
 Kristen Molin
 Tim Shuteran
 Carol Ann Shuteran
 Dan Nevelos
 Jocelyn Poglitsch
 Melissa Saucier
 Cindy Kristoff