

## Endeavor PTO Minutes

Wednesday November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2020

Meeting called to order 9:34 a.m.

### Attendance:

Krista Grow, Julie Gryder, Barbara Mullins, Jen Herman, Leanna Webber, Kim Peters, Lauri Hershner, Tamika McElveen, Stacy Lang, Katie Duh, Kylie McCarthy,

### DPC:

- Lauri Hershner spoke about the meeting held last week.
- Matt Miller talked about Covid.
  - If full remote because of not being able to staff school and being off.
- Lakota schools are participating in a Public Health Evaluation for the state of Ohio.
  - There are 9 districts participating in Ohio.
  - Study is to understand the spread of the Covid virus.
  - Students who don't show signs don't need to be quarantined.
  - They will have quick rapid response test available.
  - Parents have to give permission for the students to participate.
- There were 3 speakers at the meeting.
  - First speaker was Alyssa L. with Nami spoke about what they offer.
    - Butler County (Ohio) Mobile Crises Team and Consultation
    - Basically a 24 hour hotline.
  - Second speaker was with the Suicide Prevention Hotline.
  - Third speaker was with Butler County (Ohio) Mental Health Board
  - These resources can help students with mindfulness and can help with anxiety.
  - Not sure if there will be a December meeting.

### Principals Report:

- Lakota's new dog had a successful day!
  - Last week the dog visited the classrooms.
  - Looking into all the ways to utilize and use the dog.
  - We always ask if the kids want to pet the dog.

- This dog has prison training skills and has been with a foster family so we can trust it but still worried about jumping or barking on the playground.
- There have not been parents with questions or concerns about the dog.
- Going ahead with the fullest potential award.
  - Each grade level will be on a different day and will start at 8:00
  - There will be 6 kids per grade.
  - No parents so we want to make sure to video and take pictures to send to them .
  - Kids will be dismissed to class after the recognition.
  - PTO will order donuts, milk and juice.
    - We need to find out if there are any nut allergy concerns.
- Kim Peters spoke about the giving tree.
  - Information will go out Friday in the newsletter.
  - There will be a sign-up genius for this.
  - This is for family/kids that were adopted that need stuff during the holidays.
    - This giving tree is for family/kids not teachers.
- If you want anything in the newsletter it needs to be given to Leanna by Thursday at 12:00 which really helps her.
- Electronic version was sent out and flyers were given for the Texas Roadhouse Endeavor night out.
- Student Proposals: We are going to wait until January and after the holidays.
  - Doing it through zoom.
  - Don't know who is going to run it yet.
  - A video could be sent for review as well.
  - Examples we've done in the past are: Stars area – tools, puzzles, special seating, books, math labels pencils etc.
- Thank you for Honor Roll supplies.
  - Spirits sticks worked out well and teachers appreciated that recognition too.
  - Maggie and Lauri are doing honor roll all year.
    - Will send them a message to see what they have planned.

**\*Approved the minutes from September 2020 meeting.**

**Treasurer:**

- Maggie couldn't make the meeting so Julie spoke in her place.
  - Income:
    - Received \$618.50 from Chipotle.
    - Received \$388.40 for spirit wear.
    - Received \$16.00 for 1 year book.

- The remaining funds were transferred from walkathon which were \$2,056.
- Expenses:
  - \$150.00 for teacher reimbursements.
  - \$245.00 for conference dinner.
  - There were just a few expenses for trunk or treat.
- Upcoming:
  - Reimbursement for liaison with Creekside for sign-up genius \$8.99.
  - Expecting \$618.00 from Kroger for quarterly rewards.
  - Mailed in Box Top and should get ~ \$25.00.

### **President's Report:**

- District participating in a state study for Covid to try and find ways to reduce quarantine time.
  - The high schools, freshman, Creekside, and Cray Academy are participating.
- Keith Coney and Betsy Fuller need subs.
- Need school bus subs as well.
- Dashboard updated on Monday.
- We might get to the point where some schools shut down if there are many Covid cases in a particular school. But it might not be the whole District closing.
- How can the district make the instruction for remote learning better.
- Reaching out to VLO families to see how to support them.
  - Some feel like they are missing out.
    - Some of the Trunk or Treat yard decoration prizes went to VLO kids.
- December 8<sup>th</sup>: State of the Schools will be addressed through zoom.
  - There will be a big presentation at one of the schools.
- Anyone interested in taking on one of the positions for next year please let us know.

### **Fundraising:**

- Spirit wear:
  - Link is on and there is more cold weather gear available.
  - Sale goes through next week.
  - Products will be sent to the classrooms.
- Dine and Donate:
  - Red Robin cancelled the night before it was suppose to happen.
    - Kristin said something to their district manager.
  - December 2<sup>nd</sup> is Raising Cane's.
  - Texas Roadhouse: Trying to set it up where you can order Rolls/Gift cards and we will get a portion back from this.

- This information should be given to Janice to put on Facebook page and should be in Thursday folders.

### Programs:

- Book fair:
  - Most schools make ~\$500.00. We made ~\$2,466.00.
    - In person - \$1,266.00
    - Online - \$1,200.00
    - \$670.00 was spent on teachers and maybe a little higher because of bonuses.
      - We offer \$75.00 to each teacher and some was saved from last year.
      - They can buy books or anything else for their classrooms.
      - Staff should be getting link to order.
  - Free shipping when we order \$200.00 and the deadline to order and take advantage of this will be until January.
  - From last year Library has \$968.00 worth of books to spend. Could give her more if needed.
  - Classrooms had designated times and a video showing all the shelves was on Canvas for students to see.
- Trunk or Treat:
  - Yard/Door decoration, best costume and pumpkin carving prizes for each grade were picked.
    - 6<sup>th</sup> grade had most participants.
    - Gave away 13 prizes!
- Think Fest:
  - Maggie and Elaine are working on this.
  - Need volunteers for this event.
  - Will be a virtual event but that could change in the Spring.
- Ideas for staff before the holidays.
  - Meal, cute gift.....if you have any ideas please send them to us.
  - Mrs. Peters said she is coordinating a breakfast.
  - Any additional help would be greatly appreciated.
  - It will be for ~ 75 people.
- If you want something on Facebook you need to send it to Janice.
- No formal PTO meeting in December.
- Tamika asked a question about how to sub and Julie told her to ask Jackie in the office.

**Meeting adjourned: 10:22 a.m.**

