**PTO Meeting, Wednesday, October 9th, 2024**

Meeting called to order at 12:00 PM.

Attendees:

Angel Herrick

Greg Spalding

Rachel Schmelzle

Jennifer Bowman

Philip Dattilo

Megan Clay

Stephanie Spalding

Brooke Walter

Alexandria Black

Erica Bernhardt

Mark Abdou

Nekelle Celestine

Diana Rogers Jaeger

Rachel Schmelzle

Claudia Veronica Farfan Lorono

Deanna Rinehart

Marie Austria

Crystal Smith

Approval of prior meeting minutes

Reports

1. Principal Report - Angel Herrick
   1. Back to School Bash and the FundRun were successful
   2. Excited to get back to routines and rituals
   3. Blue Ribbon announcement – big deal, big national award, Angel is proud of everyone.
   4. There was a lockdown, lessons were learned. Good plans are in place.
   5. School choice is coming up.
   6. Kinard is coming to the school.
   7. Currently 494 students, second biggest elementary school in the district.
   8. Outdoor classroom bids are being worked on. At a district level spending is on hold, but Angel would like to keep moving on the project.
2. Teacher report –Ms. Walter / Ms. Defazio
   1. Fund Run was great
   2. 4th Grade had a field trip and 90% of parents paid online
   3. Teacher conferences are occurring
   4. Loved the tailgate and coffee, much appreciateion
   5. Mini Grants
      1. Kinder – repair the little bikes – tubes, chains, cleanup - $400 - approved
      2. Kinder - $99 for FundRun rewards / treats/movie day - approved
      3. 4th - $100 for Fun Lights (reward for FundRun) - approved
      4. Middle Ages Fair (10/21) decorations - $872 - approved
      5. 3rd – would like to purchase skeletons/body parts for anatomy - $350
3. Treasurer Report -Jennifer Bowman
   1. Will try to distribute funds to the staff and Principal Fund earlier than last year
   2. Back2School Bash - $4000 from the wrist bands (cost was $7500), did better than expected
   3. Affinity $ - $561 from Kona Ice, $25 from Traveling Toms
   4. FundRun money coming in
4. FundRunTeam – Crystal Smith & Diana Rogers Jaeger
   1. Raised $83,000, 10k better than last year
   2. 10k earmarked for the outdoor classroom
   3. Created teacher/staff teams
   4. Added a coffee truck, cinnamon rolls (raised $1500)
   5. Slime the Principal is tomorrow
   6. Crystal will need to be replaced next year, project management skills are important (planning starts in March)
5. School Supply Kits & Spiritwear - Jenny Florez
   1. Will need to find a replacement for Jenny
6. Fall Festival / Back to School bash– Deanna Rinehart
   1. Will need a co-chair
7. Scholastic Book Fair –Rachel Schmelzle
   1. dates 4th-8th. no morning hours this year. committee will need volunteers to work event.
8. Book Bowl – Lisa Ordonez
   1. Going well so far
9. Staff Appreciation – Megan Clay
   1. November – Kcup collection, ask for donations vs. PTO funds it
   2. Surprise Donut Day from the staff
10. School Pictures – Megan Clay
11. Yearbook – Ally Black
    1. Ramping up
    2. Will increase the yearbook size to 48 pages (from 44); Last year price was $15 (cost $14.60); this year cost will be $15.10, price will be set at $16.
    3. Photographer recruitment for each class, hope to improve on last year’s process; working on a signup genius for this
12. Library – Ally Black
13. Directory Committee-
14. New Business-
    1. Affiliation activity at DC Oakes the Monday after Thanksgiving
    2. PTO Social Media, leverage the Zach Elemenatry accounts

Meeting is adjourned at 1:00 pm.