

Blairstown Elementary School Parent Teacher Group December 2, 2021

Present:

Jamie Oatley, President Jodi Hawkswell, Vice President Christina Malcolm, Secretary Meredith Coronato, Treasurer

Members in Attendance: 17 (Names on File)

Meeting Commenced: 1907

OFFICERS REPORTS

President: Nothing to report.

Vice President: Emails have been sent to Head Room Parents regarding collecting money for holiday gifts for teachers, and included a sample questionnaire for teachers to fill out for gift ideas. Head Room Parents please remember you can delegate tasks to your Class Committee.

Treasurer: The totals for Teacher Classroom Money are still be added up, and the report will be available at our next meeting.

Secretary: Nothing to report.

COMMITTEES & EVENTS:

Gertrude Hawk: We had 113 total orders between online and paper. Paper sales were \$6800, online sales were \$4900. The PTG made 50% profit on this fundraiser. The exact total amount raised will be available at our next meeting. Order pickup dates will be Monday December 13, and Tuesday December 14. The times will be announced once finalized with the school.

Bear Wear: Pickups were announced; the first pickup was held Thursday, December 2, and the next will be Thursday December 9 from 3:30-5:30. If you can not make the next pickup date, please contact the Bear Wear Committee to make alternate arrangements.

Book Fair: Setup is Friday, December 3 at 3:30. The volunteer list is finalized, minus one confirmation.

Tricky Tray: The first meeting was held to start planning, and there is another meeting in January. The location is still being discussed, and will either be held inside the school or outside. If held inside the school, there will likely be restrictions in place due to Covid protocols. If it's held outside, it would likely be in June, which would require working around the schedule of events already taking place that month.

Book Bingo: We have approval from the church to have an in person bingo night. Dates are being finalized with the school, but will likely be March 25, with a snow date of April 1.

Staff Appreciation: There will likely be a staff appreciation lunch during Teacher Appreciation week in May; lunches will be ordered from Chef's Catering in Knowlton Twp. There is also an idea of holding a tea party for the 100th day of school.

Refreshment Committee: Donations have been received for everything needed for the Book Fair events. The Teacher's Preview snacks are being set up December 3. Goodie bags are being made for families to take home after Family Fun Night. Special thanks to Karin Shaftic for taking on the role of Co-Chair.

Spirit Walk: Total funds raised for the event were \$4500.

OLD BUSINESS:

The Carnival company discussed at the last meeting is no longer in business.

Candy Gram: The Committee is being formed for this and similarly themed fundraisers, and will be called the Sweets, Treats & Eats Committee. Taylor Casey will be the Chair, and future committee members and volunteers will be put together shortly. An order form was created for a Candy Cane Gram fundraiser that will start on December 6th. We are waiting on permission from the school to allow the sixth graders to dress up and hand out the Grams that are ordered. We will be requesting donations of full size candy canes and ribbon, which will be due December 17th. There will be a bin in the front lobby.

QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS:

A Shaped Pasta fundraiser was discussed. The member who will be in charge of this fundraiser was unable to be present, but the information packet provided was available to all members in attendance.

A Charleston Wrap fundraiser was discussed, possibly being held in the Spring. A member has requested a sample fundraising packet from the company, and it will be provided to the Board upon arrival.

Krispy Kreme Fundraiser: This would fall under the new Sweets, Treats & Eats fundraiser. The profits from this fundraiser would be 50%, with no minimums for boxes ordered. It's apparently an easy fundraiser to hold, with the idea of being held in January or February to avoid conflicts with other local organizations that also have this fundraiser throughout the year.

Pura Vida: Several members brought up the idea of having a fundraiser from this company, but no one was in attendance that could give us more information on past fundraisers held by other local organizations.

Meeting Adjourned: 1958.