

Central School PTO Meeting – April 10, 2015

Call to order

8:50 am Central School conference room

Present: Lynda Murphy, Jessica Niekrasz, John Ralph, Paula Fudacz, Tracy Bohrer, Angela Izzo, Anna Lee

Absent: Martha Curiel, Amy Hill

Officers' Reports

Co-Presidents – Lynda Murphy and Jessica Niekrasz

Officer Elections: Motion made by Paula Fudacz, 2nd by Angela Izzo, motion passes; here are the new officers to be installed at the May 8 PTO meeting

- Co-presidents: Heather Manning and Tracy Bohrer
- 1st VP: Aimee McNally and Jennie Hepker
- 2nd VP: John Ralph
- 3rd VP: Anna Lee
- Secretary: Kim Cimino
- Treasurer: Martha Curiel
- Parliamentarian: Lynda Murphy

End of Year book fair: buy one get one free book fair taking place on Tuesday, May 5 only, in the Hauser Auditorium; Mr. Gatz will take care of coordinating the kids through the fair during the day; \$7 vouchers will be given to about 70 kids on the free/reduced lunch program on May 4 or May 5; book fair will be open from 8am to 7pm

Artist in Residence: rescheduled for next year; looking at a watercolor artist who would do a presentation for all grades

Farm to Table: on May 7 kids will get a sample of seeded bread from Katic bread from the Farmer's Market

Plunge into fitness: ends on April 13

Science in a can: about 85% participation rate for K, 2 and 4; looking for new ideas, send to Jennie Hepker

1st VP – Amy Hill and Paula Fudacz

Teacher luncheon: scheduled for April 30 in the Central library

Treasurer's Report – Martha Curiel

January book fair: waiting for last pizza party expense

BOGO book fair: \$99 expense for books for the raffle

Cultural Arts: \$1082 so far on field trips; \$200 on presentations

5th grade games night: \$485 on Tshirts and gift cards

Science in a Can: Motion proposed to increase budget from \$800 to \$900 by Paula Fudacz, 2nd by Kim Macchia, motion passes; SIC spent \$825 on supplies and prizes

Admin expenses: \$93

Balance: at the end of March we have a balance of \$33,000

2nd VP – John Ralph

Philanthropy:

- Mrs. Neal: classroom essentials - \$320
- Mrs. Pendola: playground equipment - \$500 (combined with a similar request from Jacqueline Miller; no extra equipment was found upstairs)
- BOGO book fair vouchers: allows kids in the free/reduced lunch program to purchase books (\$7*70 kids) - \$500
- Mrs. Nolan: author visit on 4/24/15 by Maryann Malone for grades 3-5 - \$1200
- Mrs. Nolan: author visit by Bob Razka in May 2015 for grades K-2 - \$900
- Mrs. Nolan: author visit in Nov 2015 by Candace Fleming for all grades - \$1800; no payment from this year's budget, will add as a line item for next year's budget
- 5th grade team: math app for each incoming 5th grader (\$7/kid about \$600) and storyworks through Scholastic for each incoming 5th grader (\$7/kid about \$600); Mr. Gatz declined the math app, due to the search for a new Director of Curriculum, but Oks storyworks, rounding up - \$700
- Total philanthropy requests are \$4120; John Ralph made a motion to increase budget from \$655.59 to \$3500 to cover all requests, 2nd by Anna Lee; motion passes

Kane County Cougars (Paula): Potential fundraiser; Central students and family would pay \$10/ticket and Central would receive \$6 of each ticket we buy; chose the game on August 23 at 1pm

3rd VP – Anna Lee

Retirement gifts: for Mrs. Teune, looking at Frank Lloyd Wright books to donate to Central Library; need ideas for Mrs. Murdock; can spend \$100 each

Installation event: evening of May 14; a get together for new and old PTO board

Committee reports

5th grade games: happening tonight (4/10); no shortage of Central volunteers

Pavers: on sale from 4/22 until mid May

Cultural Arts: PTO is paying for all expenses related to Cultural Arts field trips

School supplies: sale will be starting soon

Screen free week: week of April 20; feed blitz will come out next week describing events; also hosting Nike Reuse a Shoe – bring in used gym shoes, they will be ground up to be used as playground mulch, collection starts 4/20

Teacher Appreciation Week: week of May 4, theme is Take Flight; Mon kids sign classroom doors; Tues write a letter to your teacher; Wed spirit day with flight theme; Thurs baskets to collect snacks; Fri fiesta lunch for teachers; also a raffle

Yearbook: deadline was 4/6; almost done; PTO will give teachers a copy

Talent Show (Gretchen Reyes): 5/28 at 6:30pm, no daytime show; forms due 4/27, tryouts are 5/6 and 5/7; 5/26 and 5/27 is dress rehearsal

Poetry Contest (Aberdeen Ozga): theme is Reflections on Riverside; online entries due 4/30; the winner of each grade district wide will receive \$25; poems with the strongest nature themes will get special honors and read at a ceremony at Brookfield Zoo

Hauser Canned Food Drive: collection from 4/18 – 4/18; drop off locations are located around town

Meeting adjourned at 10:00am