**Central PTO Meeting Minutes**

**Tuesday, October 11, 2016**

*Objectives of the Central PTO: a. To make possible academic, cultural, and recreational opportunities which are otherwise beyond the means of the school district; b. To build a sense of community among parents, teachers and staff; c. to educate and support parents in their role as advocates for their child’s education, and for the education of all children in the district; and d. to facilitate communication between parents, school, and district. Art. IV, sec. 1 of the Central PTO Bylaws*

**Call to Order/Welcome**

**Minutes**: Approval of Sept 2016 PTO minutes (will be done at the Nov meeting)

**Teacher Representative** – Samantha Lutz – Not present

**Officer’s Reports:**

**Co-Presidents** – Heather Manning and Tracy Bohrer

* **Buddy Bench update** – since the back area may get playground equipment, looking at a temporary bench to put in place or designate one of the playground benches
* **Attic clean out** – main part of the attic was cleaned, the rest will happen over the course of the year, PTO needs to vacate the right Cultural Arts closet
* **Auction update** – online bidding has been set up; Wendy Dokter will send info to local papers
* **BOE** - meetings have moved to the 3rd Wednesdays with a rotating location between schools
* **Accountant** – need to find a new accountant; will ask other PTAs who they use

**1st VPs –** Aimee McNally and Jennie Royer

* **Family Fun Night final total** – broke even

**2nd VP –** Wendy Dockter

* **Halloween assembly –** waiting on Mr. Gatz to decide

**3rd VP –** Anna Lee

* **Veteran’s Day** – PTO will provide refreshments for the Veterans after the assembly
* **Dinner for teachers during conferences** – PTO will provide dinner for teachers the night of Mon 11/21 from 4:20-5:20

**Treasurer –** Kerry Jordan

* **Budget review and approval** – Not available
* **Audit** – Not available

**Parliamentarian –** Martha Curiel

**Committee Reports**

* **Family Fun Night**
* **Auction**
* **Charleston Wrap** – sale has ended and all orders have been submitted
* **Spirit Wear –** orders due this week
* **Roller skating –** party on 11/9 from 3:30-6 at Fleetwood skating rink, students pay for skate rental

**Principal’s Report –** Mr. Gatz

* **Parent teacher conferences** – signup information will go out 1 week before signups go live
* **PARCC and MAP** – scores will go home through the mail by the end of the month
* **Halloween schedule**
  + 11:25-12:55 kids go home for lunch and costumes (doors open at 12:45)
  + 1:00 parade (if rain or snow, no parade)
  + 1:15 assembly
  + 2:10 party
  + ***Lead room parents need to talk with individual teacher in regards to the number of parents (max is 5), games, etc. List of parents helping at parties must be turned in to the office by 10/24 to make sure forms are filled out; if the parent is not on the list they will be turned away***

**Town Hall Questions regarding**:

* KITE and the lunch gap – Mr. Gatz will work with KinderKids to fill gap between morning Kindergarten and afternoon KITE, and after care
* PAV after care – parents need to talk to PAV about a later end time for after care
* Kindergarten picnic – PTO will talk with Mrs. Ryan-Toye and other PTAs about having picnic and supply drop off on the same day, instead of 2 different days
* PTO meetings – PTO will discuss having more night meetings to accommodate working parents
* Gifted/advanced programs – there are not many academic extracurricular activities available (chess club, science fair club)

Adjourned 7:40pm

**Announcements:** A special thank you to the many volunteers who worked over the summer including the following: **Birthday Board**: Heather Manning; **Charleston Wrap:** Marisa Kirsch and Julie Novak; **Hike and Bike Week**: Jacqueline Miller and Stacey Doyle; **Original Works**: Julie Novak; **Spirit Wear:** Marisa Kirsch. If you have given your time as a volunteer, but haven’t been mentioned here, we apologize for the omission. Let us know so we can properly thank you!

**Upcoming Events:**

**October**

10/6-11/2 Original Works Sale

10/7 (Fri) No Attendance

10/10 (Mon) No Attendance

10/11 (Tues) PTO meeting 6:30pm Central Library

10/11 (Tues) Little Symphony

10/19 (Wed) BOE meeting 6:30pm

10/21 (Fri) Spirit Day

10/31 (Mon) Halloween activities

**November**

11/4 (Fri) PTO Auction @Riverside Golf Club

11/7 (Mon) Picture retake day

11/9 (Wed) Roller skating party 3:30-6 @Fleetwood

11/11 (Fri) PTO meeting 8:30am

11/11 (Fri) Veteran’s Day assembly 1:45

11/16 (Wed) BOE meeting 6:30pm @Blythe

11/17 (Thurs) Parent/Teacher conferences 4-8pm

11/18 (Fri) Spirit Day

11/21 (Mon) Parent/Teacher conferences all day

11/21-11/25 No Attendance – Thanksgiving break