

NES PTO MEETING MINUTES

Northfield Elementary School PTO Meeting Minutes

January 13, 2015

The meeting was called to order by Lara Dubin, Chair, at 6:37pm

In attendance

Lara Dubin, Nolan Kitfield, Cheryl George, Tom King, Kelly Gagnon, Missy Kalinowski, Stacy Quinn, Deb Pottee

Principal's Report, Tom King

- Parent question about a walkway from the front of the school to the back parking lot. Mr. King stated that because of the snow and ice, there may not be a shoveled walkway this year.

Treasurer's Report, Nolan Kitfield

- Box Tops income check came in
- Cash Raffle and Holly Berry line items showing more income right now because all pay outs have not been made
- Profits from Holiday/Holly Berry Fair (raffle baskets, food table, teacher's fruit sale) will go directly to the teachers. Checks will be given to the teachers with a letter asking what they were able to get for their classroom and we will share that info in the newsletter
- Cash Raffle; not much profit (not sure of exact amount); change month? (too much happening in the fall); change ticket to mailing label format; change prize amounts?
- Movie Day at the Garden; \$715 profit, had many walk-ins

Teacher Requests

- Amy Tibbetts, 2nd grade teacher, is requesting \$93.50 to purchase six sound blocking headphones and also mini clocks with gears, to help the students learn to tell time; all in favor, approved

Family Movie Night

- Saturday, January 17th, 5:00pm – pizza, 6:00pm – movie
- Will need volunteers to help pop popcorn, pick-up and hand our pizza orders; Cheryl George will be responsible for the drinks
- Matt from the Dickinson Memorial Library may come to help sign people up for the Whalemobile

Family Science Night/Whalemobile

- Friday, January 30th, 5pm – 7:30pm, coordinated with Dickinson Memorial Library (PTO responsible for \$400, applied for \$250 grant from FEE)
- We will offer grinders (ham or turkey), drinks and chips (pre-order grinders); Cheryl will be responsible for coordinating the grinder orders
- Email to teachers about getting the classrooms involved
- Matt from the Dickinson Memorial Library will maybe bring books to check out
- Other possible activities include ocean/whale trivia, listening to ocean sounds and crafts

Upcoming Events & Fundraisers

- Bingo Night: Waiting to hear on the date
- Butterbraids: Selling end of February, delivered Monday, March 30 (in time for Easter Holiday), need coordinator
- April Event?? Need Coordinator, sundaes?, selling used books?, some discussion about taking a month off because of a busy upcoming spring
- Local goods/services coupon book fundraiser: need someone to research/look into for next year?
- Carnival & Fun Run: May 9th, high school kids to help out?
- 6th grade graduation and bowling party in June

Enrichment Programs

- Mister G all school assembly, children could sit with their buddies, possible dates, February 4, 5, 11, 12; Cheryl will contact Mister G's manager
- ScienceTellers: March 4th

New Business

- Playground: tree cut down
- Holiday Fruit Sale for Teachers: \$630 profit; \$300 of that will go toward arbor for fairy garden entrance in honor of Ruth Gallagher (teachers collected \$150); money will come out of playground line item
- Playground clean-up during April vacation (Earth Day)
- Co-Chairs, discussion about positions overlapping every two years to make for easier transition

Next Meeting

Tuesday, February 10th, 6:30pm

Meeting was adjourned at 7:40pm

Submitted by Cheryl George, Secretary