



Meeting Minutes

Thursday, April 20, 2023 6:00pm

In-person Meeting called by Ashley Ptacek

In Attendance

Ashley Ptacek, Sue McMahon, Carlye Sherrill, Ana Lewis, May Vue Yang, Jessica Moe

Future Meetings

Third Thursday of the month @6:00pm

Discussion

- **Old Business:**

- Chipotle fundraiser:** Over \$600 raised.

- Restaurant Nights:** plan to try and have one each month next year, maybe break it down by grade levels.

- Book Fair:** would like 2 registers next year, will buy books for the library with the earnings: approximately \$6,000 worth.

- International Night:** suggestions made to get notice further out, won't have it on a long weekend next year.

- APEX:** was during testing this year, so make sure it's not during testing next year.

- Field Day:** Ms. Skordahl requested \$75 to buy flavors for snow cones and inflatables, will need volunteers June 7 from 10-3 to serve snow cones.

- **New Business:**

- School Safety:** Suggestions to add motion-sensing lights to the back doors, signs saying "You're being watched," teaching emotional regulation/anger management in leadership classes, having staff prepared for what to do in a lockdown, teaching the Restorative Justice Model, have more training for staff on "warning signs" in students, having school buddies between older and younger grades to build community, sending a letter home to parents with educational info and reminders to keep guns locked, adding fencing in back of school, working with YSB (Youth Service Bureau).

- Science Night:** coming up on May 11, will include Bell Museum, Dodge Nature Center, and Kyle's Reptiles, PTO helping fund \$275, discussed possibly doing concessions.

- Uniform Swap:** no date planned for next swap, but old uniforms can be dropped off at the office anytime.

- Teacher Appreciation Week:** coming up the week of May 8, the PTO tries to do a little something each day for the staff, ideas discussed include students/parents sending staff

emails/notes of thanks, root beer float day, sharpies/office supplies gifts, catering a meal one day, giving little vases of flowers one day, coffee bar/tea. We plan to meet Tuesday, May 9 to put together vases of flowers for the staff. Please drop off any clean/empty Oui yogurt containers in the office for the vases.

--**Carnival:** plan on doubling the number of games, discussed adding a photo booth, having 3 food trucks, a silent auction, 2 dunk tanks, 2 bounce houses.

--**WLA Facebook Parent Page:** discussed how many parents aren't aware of the page, concerns over negative comments, difficult/time consuming to monitor all content, but want people to follow the rules and be respectful.

--**Battle of the Books:** discussed getting these books for the school library.

Upcoming Events-

- Teacher Appreciation Week: May 8-12
- Put together teacher appreciation week flowers: May 9
- Science Night: May 11
- WLA Carnival: May 25

Next Meeting

PTO Meeting: Thursday, May 18 @ 6:00