

Powers PTO Minutes-April 13, 2018

Welcome/Attendees: Please Sign in

Principal's Report: Mrs. Schwartz

- It's the end of the year- craziest time but fun time. There is lots of good stuff planned. The May PTO meeting will have breakfast, keeping Mrs. Waller's tradition. There are lots of field trips going on this month: The 2nd grade went to see Mary Poppins, the 1st grade went to see Nugget & Fang. The Kindergarten will be going as well to see a play. K will be walking to library and also reading cafe this month. And Mr. Q is working on field day.

Teacher's Report: Mrs. Germuska

- Teachers asking about scholastic dollars- Sarah K will get with Aleshia, will double check with Aleshia, but it is looking like \$100 per teacher in scholastic dollars from the bookfair!
- Lemonade stand at music program. looking for non-1st grade parents to volunteer. PTO member suggested possibly use NHS students at high school- they are in need of volunteer hours. Mrs. Germuska will let Mrs. Kruse know to contact them.

Additional Items: Sarah Yoder

- Review of School Specific Bylaws-looking for consistency throughout each pto in each building. unification between pto's. school specific is mostly committees. very broad want to be open to creativity & flexibility of positions.
- Review of District Bylaws-all changes in bylaws are highlighted. Officers & Committee Chairs need to be aware of suggestions for effective communication with schools, attached to the district bylaws. Will be removing guardianship from article 4: Membership. Will add Article 7 section 5- a detailed principal description will be added.
- Nord PTO vacant offices & committees- secretary, homecoming, walk-a-thon (fundraising). Sara Yoder will be President of Nord PTO next year, she is willing to help anyone with the walk-a-thon position, as she was committee chair this year. Looking for any 2nd grade parents moving up to Nord next year to fill these positions.

President- Sarah Kucbel

- Teacher Appreciation- change date. Teacher Appreciation will now be May 7-11th, to coincide with the national teacher appreciation week. Sarah Yoder is committee chair, she will be creating a sign-up genius asking for gift cards to Amherst convenience in order to help pay for staff lunch. Also will be asking for \$5 gift card to anywhere- need 85 cards, to give out to the staff. Will have donuts on Monday, Trail Mix bar on Friday. Theme "Thanks for helping me grow"- will be decorating the lounge. There will be other surprises for staff, do not want to say what the surprises will be as there is staff in the meeting. Students will also get to participate in the week, we will have dress up days for each day of the week: will get to dress up, wear hat, bright colors, etc. Thank you notes will be sent home with students to fill out and return, if wanted. The staff loves this! Please make sure staff name is spelled correctly.
- Preschool Teacher Grants- Mr. Coleman has 2 requests: 1) zoo field trip - Friday, May 18th. Students will be going to the zoo. Can PTO cover the cost for per models & staff. \$168 cost, potentially less due to zoo memberships. Vote by raise of hands- motion passed
2)Preschool Graduation- Friday, May 25th. Can PTO provide 200

cookies, possibly drinks, and balloons? We will need a volunteer to deliver also. Sarah Yoder will deliver and possibly look into Starbucks donating coffee and cookies, they donated to our bake sale last fall. Vote by raise of hands- motion passed.

- Teacher grant requests- Mrs. Boggs asked for the PTO to purchase the butterfly chrysalis for the butterfly habitat-cost \$50. Passed by the executive board vote & purchased. 3 Teacher Grant requests: 1) Mrs. Harmych (2nd grade) requests \$114.72 for 30 plastic clipboards & dry erase sheets. She is looking to replace current ones which she has had 10 years & were passed down to her. She expects to get 15 plus years out of them. vote by raise of hands- motion passed 2) Mrs. Krase- (Music) requests \$367.33. for a PA system- portable. This purchase benefits the entire school for at least 5 years. Can be used primarily for music but will be beneficial to all students & staff throughout the school. Can be used for assemblies and events. vote by raise of hands- vote passed. 3) Mrs. Wells requests \$ 499. for pre k through 2nd grade for science. This will be for an entire school subscription for Mystery Science. If purchase is made by June 30th \$499, after date will be \$1,499.00. A lot of the staff has been talking about it, very cool program. vote by raise of hands- motion passed.
- Amanda Daugherty will be treasurer for next year. She is the only person volunteered. Secretary voted in.

Vice President- Jen Wolf

- Field day flyers will go home this week. Field day is May 25th. Sign up via sign up genius. Link will be posted to the PTO Facebook page. Parents can sign up to be a volunteer or spectator. We ask that all parents sign up for spectator or volunteer so we will know who is out in the field with our students. A snack will be provided for all students-popsicle while out participating in field day, then popcorn & water during movie time. Field Day is a full day of school, if you plan to sign out your student after participating in field day: morning session has to go to office to sign out, afternoon session can sign out at time of sign in to field day. For the afternoon session, all students will go back into the building at the end of field day & will be released as car riders. Parents can park at St. Joe's near the baseball field, we will have a sign in table near this area. Parents can not park in the North parking lot. Rain day will be Tuesday, May 29th.

Secretary-Sarah Herold

- Please sign in

Treasurer- Teri Burich

- Financial Update

Bake Sale- Michelle Diaz

Book Fair-Aleshia Fossie/ Jenni Collins/Amanda Gallow

Box Tops- Andrea Bailey/Gina Dury.

- May 4th deadline to turn in for this year, but we still will be collecting
- Community Service- Kim DiFillippo/Jessica Glowacki
Field Day- Jen Wolf/Sarah Herold
Fundraiser- Darcie Parsons/Sarah Crosby

Homecoming- Stacy Bruce/Amanda Gallo
Membership- Amanda Dougherty
Newsletter/Social Media- Sarah Kucbel
Right to Read Week- Jeni Banyas/Teri Burich
Room Events- Heather Pearch/Stacie Belt
Social- Michelle Diaz/Lydia Edwards
Teacher Appreciation- Sarah Yoder
• Change of date
Yearbook- Mrs. Schwartz

Next Meeting: Friday, May 11th, 2018 @9:15