**Myers Elementary**

**PTO Meeting 1/3/17**

1. Present:
   1. President: Kera Boaz
   2. Vice President: Kelly Langdon
   3. Secretary: Joy Dickinson
   4. Principal: Alan DeMeures
   5. Members at large: Summer Warner, Ruelimo Bravo, Kandi West, Rachel Rayston
2. Jog A Thon
   1. Raised almost $16,000.
   2. Ms. Powell’s Second Grade Dual Language was the leading class
3. Otis Spumkmeyer Fundraiser (Starts: January 20th)
   1. Cookie Dough
   2. Bridgid Mitchell will take the lead on this fundraiser
   3. Prizes include key chain, jump ropes
4. Fundraising Committee:
   1. People that want to help but don’t want to do a big task
   2. Send names to Valerie
   3. 5:30 to 6:30 potential meeting time before PTO email
      1. Email will announce the Fundraising Committee and also ask for names of people that want to be involved in a variety of ways (buying supplies, calling sponsors, attending fundraising committee meeting, helping out during the events, who will sell water or candy at music programs)
5. Valerie Harris and Ms. Cochrane created Google Document created to rank PTO expenses on a scale from one to five
   1. That way we can see what is most important to the staff
   2. We will also ask for information about dinners for conferences
6. Young At Art
   1. $5 per person, includes a canvas and a lesson on a local artist.
   2. Possibly a cheaper alternative to artist in residence?
7. Hospitality
   1. Thank you letters sent to Jog A Thon sponsors.
   2. They will pass out birthday cards on Friday to teachers
8. Communications Coordinator
   1. Rhonda asked to pass off communications duties
   2. Summer is willing to help with communications.
   3. Vote on appointing Summer as new Communications Coordinator. Yeah: 5 No: 0
9. Safety Bag
   1. What if we did a plan and did the basic bag this year and every year add to the bag
   2. We need to find out from the School District’s Safety Coordinator about what the school district
   3. Stacy Kleine collected list of people that would be willing to contribute full bags.
   4. What about safety barrels positioned strategically around the school
   5. Rachel Rayston offered to talk with her mother who works for FEMA about what the bags need to include
10. Budget planning questions?
    1. Field trips: how do we allocate this? One subsidized field trip per student? One field trip per class?
    2. How do we build our savings?
    3. What if the school district doesn’t want to reimburse PTO approved expenses? For example, we can’t get reimbursed for gift cards.
    4. How can we better track expenses?
    5. What if we had our own account? There are pros and cons to having our own and going through the district.
    6. Kelly offered to talk to Dundee School PTO about how they do their finances and talk to the bank about how PTO can open the accounts.

1. Treasurer
   1. We need a new treasurer. There is a “How to” manual created by Shaundi Wooley
2. Music
   1. Instead of four separate programs what if we do 1st grade at 6pm, 2nd grade at 7:15pm. This will help with the parking and seats.
   2. What if we sell water and candy? Or Roses?
   3. 3rd and 4th music is Feb 22nd
   4. 1st and 2nd grade music program is March 9th
   5. Kinder program is in May
3. SCDC
   1. Any feedback?
   2. All positive feedback from the group.
   3. Mr. D plans to re-sign the contract.
4. Translator
   1. Kera to ask dual language teachers to help?