May 2, 2017 Myers Elementary PTO Minutes

1. Welcome to new principal, Stephanie Russell
   1. Review of administrative policy
   2. Opportunity for questions
2. Hospitality – Hannah
   1. Reminders about monthly staff birthday gift/cards
   2. Teacher Appreciation plan for next week?
      1. Starbucks donating tumblers, cookies
   3. Kindergarten orientation
      1. May 10; 8-9 AM
3. Open positions
   1. Fund raising coordinator – perhaps committee involvement rather than individual role?
      * 1. Jill Lemhouse – interest in being part of a committee
        2. Summer Warner – possible Catalog fundraiser leader

Tickler: Have a meeting of people interested in joining Fundraising Committee

1. Kinder Orientation
   1. PTO to present in one of the sessions; Valerie & Hannah to present.
   2. 7 minute sessions
   3. Valerie to email PTO tree to Mr. D to add to PowerPoint
2. PTO private bank account
   1. Logistics?
   2. Dual signage required? What do we need to do to ensure money safety?
   3. Voted & approved to initiate plan for private bank account
      1. 10 – yes, 0 – nay
3. 2017-2018 Budget Discussions
   1. Raised approximately $28,000 in 2016-2017 year.
   2. Budget items discussed and voted on:
      1. Kinder orientation good bags: $100

Passed: 10 yes, 0 nay

* + 1. Monthly teacher birthday gifts: $150

Passed: 10 yes, 0 nay

* + 1. Back-up clothing for children to be kept at office: $300

Passed: 10 yes, 0 nay

* + 1. Emergency bags: $300
       1. Adding some items on school supply list: pocket Kleenex, Mylar blanket, snap light
       2. Also to have sign-up sheet for families that wish to add to donations, PTO to purchase remainder

Passed: 10 yes, 0 nay

* + 1. Sibling bags: $180
       1. Originally came from Mr. D’s account

Passed: 10 yes, 0 nay

* + 1. Fluorescent light covers: $1200
       1. 4 per room + 2 bouncy bands
       2. Ensure approval by fire marshal before purchase

Passed: 10 yes, 0 nay

* + 1. Each PE teacher getting teacher fund: $200 additional

Passed: 10 yes, 0 nay

* + 1. RazKids & AtoZ Learning for entire school: $1500
       1. Continue for 2017-2018 year

Passed: 10 yes, 0 nay

* + 1. Math programs:
       1. IXL/MobyMax/Dreambox – several licenses currently. Do we get only some or for whole school?
       2. VOTE held until June meeting
    2. Cafeteria/Custodial staff getting stipend: $200 each

Passed: 10 yes, 0 nay

* + 1. Lowering funds from 2016-2017 budget:
       1. No JogAThon fieldtrip for winners

Passed: 10 yes, 0 nay

* + - 1. Only 1 movie night per year

Passed: 10 yes, 0 nay

* + - 1. Decrease PTO childcare down to $10

Passed: 10 yes, 0 nay

* + - 1. Remove 5th grade recognition

Failed: 0 yes, 10 nay

* + - 1. Remove payment for 4th & 5th grade bowling trip

VOTE held until June meeting

Future PTO project idea: PTO volunteer to enter children’s reading level for teachers, create password & login sheets to send home to families in Friday folders for entire school.