**Myers Elementary**

**PTO Meeting 5/3/16**

1. Present:
   1. President: Kera Boaz
   2. Vice president: Kelly Langdon
   3. Treasurer: Melanie Kimsey
   4. Communications/Volunteer: Kelli Hartle and Rhonda Steinmetz
   5. Hospitality: Hannah Holmes
   6. Secretary: Joy Dickinson
   7. Principal: Alan DeMeures
   8. Members at large: see sign-in list
2. Next steps from 4/5/16 meeting (Kera Boaz)
   1. Mulch donation will come tomorrow afternoon.
3. Fundraising update (Valerie Harris)
   1. 5/5/16 event: Get Air (5pm to 9pm) – 20% of proceeds that night, but we must use the flyer or show a Facebook post and Carl’s Junior – 45% of proceeds of all night (5pm to 8pm).
   2. If teacher’s can come work the night, can we compensate them?
   3. For example, if teacher work 3 hours they can get 2.5% of total raised that night. So if $2,000 is raised then teachers get $75.
   4. Concerns raised:
      1. Some teachers don’t have extra time to work events.
      2. What if all teacher’s sign up then there are less dollars for regular PTO budget?
      3. What about teachers that volunteers during school events?
      4. What about setting a max that go to teachers per event?
      5. How do we make sure that the teachers know that whether they can come to PTO events or not that they are valued and that this is an extra incentive but we understand this is extra.
      6. We also need to set up a process for reimbursing teachers that earn incentives.
      7. Process will be presented at June meeting.
4. Fundraising Calendar for 2016-2017 (Valerie Harris)
   1. Movie night in Fall (Inside Out) and Spring.
   2. Jog a Thon in Fall
   3. Auction is tabled for next year, doing auction perhaps every other year
   4. Perhaps bringing back cookie dough – it raised $8,000 three years ago.
   5. January 24 is Author Day
   6. Idea: What about adding a raffle not attached to an event?
   7. Valerie will finish 2016-2017 calendar by June meeting.
5. Emergency Kits (Stacy Kline)
   1. Kits for emergency situations are $60 per bag.
   2. Kit includes things like dust masks, tent stakes, lights, blankets, zip ties, rope, and first aid kit.
   3. Can we get donations for these bag – Polk County Emergency District – Kimberly Townsend is the contact.
   4. What if we use 5 gallon buckets instead of bags? They can be used as a bathroom in an emergency situation.
   5. Sent around sign up list for people willing to help with gathering supplies.
6. Budget
   1. Changes to the budget from last year:
      1. Teacher support from $225 to $200.
      2. Adding RazKids that gives each class a resource – district is going to help pay for part of RazKids and A to Z Learning - $1500 from PTO, $1700 from district.
      3. Programs stayed at $200 each this year.
      4. Added We Care Sports assembly – all day activities includes assembly.
      5. 2015-2016 budget was $19,505 and 2016-2017 projected budget is $19,980.
      6. Adding an extra $200 for additional movie night.
      7. Budget was voted on $20,180 – all voted yes – budget passed.
7. Other business
   1. Ideas to increase PTO involvement:
      1. PTO parents will be at kindergarten registration to get email
      2. Monthly e-newsletters sent to teachers and then teachers can forward
      3. Monthly e-newsletters sent directly to parents
      4. Paper PTO registration forms in Friday Folders
      5. Rhonda will send newsletter to Leticia and then Leticia can send email to all parents and take information and put it in Mustang Newsletter
      6. Adding a Myers Wish List for PTO
   2. Hospitality Coordinators
      1. What if we highlight four staff per month and give them a thank you card and a small gift?
      2. Mrs. Mowery has the book with all the teacher’s preferences.
      3. Be sure to include all staff and volunteers (crossing gaurds, janitors)