

Monteith PTO Board Meeting

12/13/23 / 6:30 PM / Monteith Library

Attendees

Jenna Torrento – President

Sara Scott - Vice President

Cally Beal - Co-Corresponding Secretary

Nicole Palermo - Co-Corresponding Secretary

Sara Novak - Co-Fundraising and Event Chair

Abigail Budnik – Co-Fundraising and Event Chair

Alison Locke - Recording Secretary

Shelleyanne Keelan - Principal

Suzanne Jabara - Teacher

Jen Sekol

Meeting called to order at 6:35pm

Introduction

- Dylan from Ashby's came to give proposal for ice cream reward at the end of the day
- He will also be bringing ice cream for the Glow Dance (2/10) and Summer Celebration (6/8)

Approval of Minutes

- Approved

Principal Update

- New sound/microphone system is finished, final invoice is \$5,523.15
- Looking at Spring 2024 to get final word on how much of the playground is up to code and which parts need to be replaced. Any playground items that do not meet code will be replaced.
- Next week is spirit week (check Monteith Messenger)
- GPPSS Communications this week highlights the assembly at Monteith to celebrate the Really Great Reading/Wordsmith programs

- Kids and staff were excited to celebrate all they have learned about words so far this year
- Awesome to see the hard work of kids and teachers
- Wonderful performance from Parcels choir last week
- Can we increase the assembly budget for the 24-25 school year?

Teacher Rep Update

- Lighthouse committee is asking for funds for the beautification of the school (hallway signs, couches in the lobby, etc) - will vote next meeting
- Holiday parties will be Tuesday or Wednesday of next week

President's Report – Jenna Torrento

- No report

PTO Council Update

- No report

Treasurer Report, Beth Plumridge

- Beginning Balance: \$18,593.29
- Account standing as of 12/13/23: \$47,605.86
- Outstanding checks:
 - 428 - \$68.69
 - 430 - \$360.00
 - 437 - \$300.00
 - 438 - \$60.08
- Deposits: \$33,778.57
- Checks/deductions: \$-5,654.77
- Pending Deposits: 0

New Business

- The gym is being used for basketball practices/games on the weekends and gym equipment stored on the stage is being destroyed. Request for PTO to fund installation of a locked gate to put across the back of the stage to keep materials safe while the gym is being used on the weekends.
- Author Visit: Katy Klimczuk, author of *M is for Mackinac* will visit Monteith to read to 2nd, 3rd, and 4th graders for the day. Books can be pre-ordered by students to bring to the visit to have signed.
 - Cost is \$750 for the day - voted YES
 - PTO funds will come from One Book, One School budget as OB,OS is not happening this year

- **Earth Day Event: 3 new shade trees will be planted on the playground Spring '24**
 - Possible Green Team involvement
- **Family Center of Grosse Pointe and Harper Woods: Will come to Monteith 30 mins before PTO meetings. They will provide dinner while working with kids/families in the gym. The focus will be various SEL topics, the first being anxiety in children.**
 - Future topics can be suggested by those that attend
 - Google form will be posted to gauge interest for January meeting

Public Comment

- None

Meeting adjourned at 7:44pm