**Puckett’s Mill Elementary**

**PTA General Membership Meeting**

**February 24th, 2023 @ 10:30 am**

* Call to Order- Meeting was called to order at 10:40 am by Cary Krueger. All stood for the pledge.
* Secretary’s Report Presented by Mikelle Betanzos
  + Motion to approve the January 2023 minutes. Kathy Burton made a motion to approve minutes to file and audit.
* Treasurer’s Report - Presented by Courtney Cannon
  + Courtney asked that anyone who has or receives a reimbursement check from PTA please cash it as quickly as possible
  + Funds received this month include income from the book fair ($5927.14), Spirit night proceeds from Stars and Strikes ($149.51) and Code Ninja ($49.30) as well as the sale of Papa Johns cards; in addition sales from the Father Daughter dance brought in $7689 and sales from the Mother Son event are $2338 so far; PTA received an Amazon Smiles deposit of $121; there was also misc income from school store, spirit wear and yearbook sales as well as additional contributions to the staff appreciation fund
  + Funds out include a payment of $10.93 to Scholastic for cash sales at the book fair; $1190 which paid for the balances for the 1st and 5th grade cultural arts performances as well as the deposit for the SPED cultural arts experience; in addition PTA paid for the purchase of new shirts for the Building Services team in the amount of $206; other expenses include Father Daughter; General Operating, printing and copying and continued purchases by room parents for class needs/events
* Nominating Committee-per our by-laws, the PTA membership is to form a nominating committee of 7 members who will review those who apply for open executive positions; Cary asked for volunteers and the following people volunteered to serve on the committee: Carrie Smola, Jen Robinson, Amy Lovell, Meaghan Hagewood and Angie Kirchens with Amy Mikan and Mikelle Betanzos serving as alternates; interviews will take place the week of 3/6 and the slate should be posted by 3/10
* Old Business
  + Business Partners
    - November cash for quotes
    - Papa John’s Spirit Night from 2/13 raised $48
    - Business partner packet distribution-
    - A banner showing the 2022-2023 business partners has been ordered and will be displayed in the hallway near the cafeteria once it arrives
    - Remaining spirit nights include Buffalo’s (3/14 from 5-9 pm); Culvers (4/13) and possibly one more at Old Fountain Tavern in May (exact date TBD)
  + Father daughter-the final turnout was about 500; feedback on the event was extremely positive; the profit from the dance goes towards the purchase of the Quaver subscription for the music program; Cary noted that this year the subscription has increased in cost to from $1680 to $1800
  + Hospitality
    - Lunch with a loved one was a great success
    - Early release staff lunch will be provided on 3/2
    - Staff appreciation—the theme for this year’s staff appreciation week will be a western theme
  + Book Fair-sales from the spring book fair were about the same as the fall one ($25K)
  + Mother Son night is tonight (2/24); they are expecting about 300 attendees and will have 23 high school volunteers on hand to help
  + Dads on Duty
    - Breakfast will take place at 7:15 am on 3/7 and 3/9 and Mr. Dean Peas (former NFL coach) will be the speaker
  + Exceptional Children’s Week-will take place March 6-10; a school-wide poetry contest has been planned along with a variety of activities for our exceptional ed students
    - Monday-Wildlife Wonders will visit
    - Tuesday-students will participate in Special Olympics
    - Wednesday-lunch for SPED teachers
    - Friday-superhero theme dance from 1:30-2:30
  + School Store
    - January 18th  recap—sales totaled $483
    - Hope to have another school store sale in March
  + Got Sneakers Campaign—the collection window will start 3/13; families can send in shoes with rubber soles (any condition accepted); grade levels will compete to collect the most shoes
  + Bingo Night will take place on 3/23 and there will be two sessions (5:00-6:00 and 6:30-7:30); families can prepurchase tickets, extra cards and whole pizzas; pizza slices, snacks and drinks will be available for purchase at the event; in coordination with Bingo Night there will be a raffle for a variety of themed baskets; tickets for the raffle will be for sale that night
  + Art Show-will take place either May 11th
  + Yearbook
    - Additional yearbooks have been ordered
    - Bingo Night will be the last event to be included in the yearbook
  + Bulletin Board committee-the Mother Son event is currently being advertised on the bulletin board; once that is over, Bingo Night will go up
  + 5th Grade events-Jessica reported that the field trip to the aquarium went well; there is a 5th grade social next week at the skating rink and then 5th Grade Field Day will take place at Mill Creek HS on March 16th; other 5th grade events include the 5th grade lunch and the end of year ceremony which will take place on 5pm at 6pm at 12 Stone
* New Business
  + Fundraiser Update—the executive committee has proposed two ideas for mini-fundraising opportunities; all proceeds will go towards the One Track Mind fundraiser
    - Raffle at Bingo Night—a raffle permit has been applied for and we are awaiting word on approval; the raffle will take place in conjunction with Bingo Night on 3/23
    - Coin Drive in April—collection dates for the coin drive will be Monday, April 17, Wednesday, April 19 and Friday, April 21st and will include a grade level competition
  + Committee Chair intentions—Cary asked for committee chairs to consider their plans for the 2023-2024 school year and let the exec committee know if they would like to keep or change their positions
  + Fire/lockdown procedures-Mrs. Rhodes reviewed expectations for parents during safety drills
    - Fire/evacuation-parents in the building should go outside via the nearest door and take all belongings (purse, car keys, etc) with them
    - Lockdown procedure—parents in the school during a lockdown drill should go into the closest room, cover the window and hide
  + Nominating committee—according to the bylaws, the slate for the executive board must be posted 10 days before it is voted on; voting will take place at the March meeting; at this time, open board positions include secretary as well as co-vice presidents; in February the PTA will vote on the nominating committee which will consist of 5 members and 2 alternates
* Principal’s Report-Mrs. Rhodes explained that the county has finalized the ELA adoption; the Science of Reading was selected; she also mentioned that new math resources will be adopted for the 2023-2024 school year
* Next Meeting –March 24 at 10:30 a.m.
  + Please note that a quorum will be needed in order to vote on the slate so please attend if possible

Meeting was adjourned at 11:48 am.