PTO Meeting Minutes

PTO meeting called to order Monday December 2nd, 2019 at 3:13 p.m. Alyce Taylor Elementary School, 252 Egyptian Drive, Sparks, NV 89441

President: Heidi Capurro - Present

Vice President: Heather Tuttle - Present

Principal / Co Vice President: Kate Austill - Present

Treasurer: Collette Zahniser - Present Co-Treasurer: Kirsten Gilmore - Absent

Secretary: Angie Bowlin - Present

A. Approval of minutes- Presented by Angie and approved by Heidi and Heather.

- B. Budget / Treasury reports Presented by Collette. Beginning balance \$51,073.95 and ending balance \$41,293.04 AR program (4,005) and teacher Gatorfest funds cut (5,538.96) paid
- C. Gatorfest
 - a. Total money raised was \$11,277.92.
 - b. Teacher Gatorfest funds split this year (teachers:\$5,638.96 and PTO: \$2,217.55). PTO had extra expenses this year for decor updates, DJ and rock wall that were not donated or sponsored. Teachers cut was calculated before expenses this year which provided each teacher that worked the event \$140 plus any additional profits raised for their pumpkin contest contributions. PTO's profit was \$2,217.55 after teacher distribution.
- D. Boo Grams Boo Grams were a great success this year so we will be prolonging the frosty gram sales for 10 days. They will be sold December 9th through December 19th at lunch and after school in the quad. We have decided to purchase larger candy canes in varying flavors to justify the \$1 cost. Kindergarten Playground Updates We are awaiting the school district approval. Taylor is the 30th request on the list and it will likely take a while. Concrete has been donated by Home Depot and PTO will follow up upon response from the school district.
- E. AR Program- Alyce Taylor did not receive the grant needed to pay for the Accelerated Reading program. PTO has paid for the AR program with \$4,005.00 of PTO funds on 11/26/2019.
- F. December Bingo- Bingo cards have been changed to full sheets to avoid the timely process of cutting and stapling the 5 small sheets together we will instead sell a full sheet of 6 for \$1. Addie Nicole Photography will take the Santa photos.

- The Kiersch family has generously agreed to provide the backdrop / props for the photos. Still in need of a Santa. Santa suit is available.
- G. Pizza Factory- Profits last month were \$306.
- H. 5 Days of Christmas for teachers PTO will be gifting the staff a coffee, tea, or drink from Drips coffee truck on Monday December 16th as a Christmas gift.
- I. Angel Tree Will be set up in the main office and PTO has agreed to sponsor at least one family and possibly other items that are not donated by Taylor families and staff. Awaiting information on families in need from counselor Casey Rogers.
- J. Kindergarten Request- 10 IPads (\$3,000) + Concrete for outside (awaiting District) IXL and Raz kids require IPad access. Each classroom has 3 now and would like to have 6.
- K. 1st grade Request- 10 IPads (\$3,000) + Grade level reading books (\$1,000 \$2,000) Mrs. Cristologo would like multiple sets (at least 4 sets) of level books and 2 IPads per class.
- L. 2nd grade request \$3 per student 115 students- \$345.00 or ½ would be \$172.
- M. 3rd grade request- Parent Christmas project funding and one printer to be shared by two teachers as well as a computer cart (\$1,300).
- N. 4th grade Request- Individual donor projects, Donor chose program (Need clarification on whether items need to be district approved) Would like to have laptops / IPads for the 4 classes.
- O. 5th grade Request \$100 for Christmas Projects (approved) \$100. Cupcakes and 15 Costco pizza for end of year celebration and \$5 per student for Stem Project field trip (about \$500) Total about \$715 plus cost of cupcakes.
- P. Music Request Priced out all requested items on the list and total is \$613.50 (That price includes the Cyber Monday coupon of 25% off total order) Voted and approved.
- Q. Principal Reports Per Kate Austill
 - a. Students are using new lap cart PTO purchased with Apex profits last school year to complete MAP testing this week. :) Kindergarten will complete MAP testing in January.
 - b. 61 homes are being built by Dickson Realty and Upland Contractors behind Gator swamp park. Homes are single family homes about \$400,000 average and should bring additional students to Taylor in the future which will help balance student enrollment numbers. The construction will help us keep the numbers high enough to prevent loss of teachers and support staff after rezoning to Jesse Hall takes place.

R. Open Forum / Questions-

Mrs. Autino recommended a fun assembly at the school. Field trips are expensive and bus schedules are tight so bringing people into school may be a better option. Some examples include Sierra NEVADA journeys, NDOW, artists etc...

Water fountains need purchased and installed. Heather is to follow up with parent

Meeting Adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

Lindsey (Whiting Turner).