

PTO Meeting Minutes

PTO meeting called to order Monday February 3rd, 2020 at 3:11 p.m.
Alyce Taylor Elementary School, 252 Egyptian Drive, Sparks, NV 89441

President: Heidi Capurro - Absent

Vice President: Heather Tuttle - Present

Principal / Co Vice President: Kate Austill - Present

Treasurer: Collette Zahniser - Present

Co-Treasurer: Kirsten Gilmore - Present

Secretary: Angie Bowlin - Present

- A. Approval of minutes: Presented by Angie and approved by Heather
- B. Budget / Treasury reports - Presented by Collette. Beginning balance \$33,016.57 and ending balance \$33,953.59. See treasurer report for details.
- C. January Pizza Factory give back night total was \$348.00 and it was donated to Alyce Taylor Family in need.
- D. Drips Coffee Truck donation total was \$16.
 - a. Should we continue this? We will be reaching out to Drips coffee truck owners to evaluate whether or not this is beneficial for their business. The coffee truck visits are intended to be a special treat for Taylor teachers, staff and families but unfortunately sales have been low and likely not worth the monthly efforts.
- E. Heart Grams - Grams are on sale now through February 14th. Traditional candy grams are being sold for \$1. Special Valentine's balloons are being sold for \$2 this year and will be delivered on Friday, February 7th and Friday, February 14th only. The balloons are available for presale on the form we send home with students on Friday. The balloons are limited quantities and sales may be discontinued as needed.
- F. Bingo -
 - a. Great turnout and successful event for Kindergarten grade level.
 - b. TV raffle profit was \$694.86.
 - c. Ideas on how to keep children out of hallways during events: Classroom doors will be locked during Bingo. Hallways will be monitored by an adult or PTO member to ensure children are not running around school when not permitted to be. PTO made several announcements for parents to be sure that children were not left unattended and were to remain with parents at all times however these instructions/requests were not followed and children were discovered walking

around hallways during the event. Mrs. Cristologo suggested that hallways are roped off during Bingo which is not acceptable per the fire code.

d. March Bingo- 2nd grade requested to keep their scheduled bingo night on March 5th. This bingo was originally scheduled to be hosted in March prior to 1st grade choosing not to host bingo in December which had been taken over by the 2nd grade team. Since bingo is already on the schedule we will move forward with it and if other grade levels would like to host an additional bingo we have availability on calendar in April or May. PTO may choose to host bingo if no grade levels are interested.

- G. Water Fountains - Fountains are on order and installation should take place during Spring Break in Cafeteria and as soon as the unit arrives in the faculty room. Whiting Turner has also generously agreed to install new water fountains at the end of B, C, and D halls. The current fountains are very old and dated.
- H. Concrete needed for outside of P.E. equipment container located on the playground outside D hall. P.E. Teachers are unable to access containers and pull carts of equipment in and out during wet months as a mud puddle develops right outside of the door. PTO to consider trying to get the concrete donated if it can be approved by the school district.
- I. Art and Science Night-
 - a. La Victoria Coffee truck and Sticks N Strips food truck have been confirmed to attend Art and Science night.
 - b. Volunteers are needed in the star lab for 30 minutes intervals.
 - c. Heidi and Collette will be selling Gator Gear.
 - d. Raffle donations are needed for Art and Science themed raffles (Discovery museum, Planetarium, Picasso and wine etc..) If you have and raffle donation ideas or connections please contact Heidi.
- J. Craft Fair planning updates- Liz and Kirsten (chairpersons) - 40 Crafter or vendor spots available. Craft Fair team has created an email specifically for craft fair. The email address is Taylororgatorcrafts@gmail.com . Prices for vendor spots approved by Heather and Collette. Flyers will be sent home soon and will be delivered to local surrounding businesses prior to the craft fair. This year raffle tickets will be placed in specific bins for certain donated items of a person's choice this year.
- K. Apex Fun Run-

Apex is coming! Apex fun run will take place on April 23rd, 2020 this year. Kate, Heidi and Heather will be meeting with Apex team this month to discuss planning our event. Once this years theme is announced we will begin making

decorations. We will plan to decorate the school on Friday April 10th. All volunteer help is appreciated.

L. Important dates for February-

- a. 2/17 Presidents Day - No school
- b. 2/20 Art and Science Night (5:30 - 7:00)
- c. 2/21 - Pizza Factory Night
- d. 2/24 Drips Coffee Truck

M. Principal Reports - Rezoning will decrease the Taylor student numbers to an estimated 550 - 580 (Below 600). As a result of the lower enrollment numbers Taylor will be losing Teacher allocations as well as our halftime dean. In order to determine allocations for staff, parents must register their students as soon as possible. Angie will do a Facebook and website reminder. It is school counselors week this week. Happy Counselors Week to our amazing Mrs. Rogers!

N. Open Forum / Questions -

O. Meeting Adjourned at 3:48 p.m.