

PTO Meeting Minutes

PTO meeting called to order Monday March 2nd, 2020 at 3:10 p.m.
Alyce Taylor Elementary School, 252 Egyptian Drive, Sparks, NV 89441

President: Heidi Capurro - Present
Vice President: Heather Tuttle - Present
Principal: Kate Austill - Present
Treasurer: Collette Zahniser - Present
Co-Treasurer: Kirsten Gilmore - Absent
Secretary: Angie Bowlin - Present

- A. Approval of minutes- Presented by Angie. Approved by Heidi.
- B. Treasury Report- Presented by Collette. Beginning balance for February \$33,953.59 and ending balance \$37,261.70.
- C. February Pizza Factory Night Give Back total was \$320. February give back night funds were designated to benefit the Library. Mrs. Whalen will purchase a new bar code scanner and new books for the library.
- D. Drips coffee truck - Drips will no longer be visiting Taylor monthly. The monthly visits were not beneficial or profitable for their business. We will invite them to special events in the future. They will attend teacher appreciation and possibly Apex fun run.
- E. Heart Gram - Total profit was \$2,550.02. It was a very successful fundraiser.
- F. Bingo - March Bingo has been cancelled. PTO will host a bingo night on May 21st, 2020. This bingo will include a kids blackout (Wild Island Waterpark pass) and Adult blackout (Full amount of money raised that round?) Raffle - possibly concert tickets or something fun? Dependant on donations. More information to come in April's meeting.
- G. Water Fountains - Staff filtered water system has been installed in the teachers lounge. Hallway and cafeteria fountains will be installed over spring break. Whiting Turner and Co. will be coming by Friday morning to do a walk through of the school this Friday at 10am and assess installation needs.
*HUGE THANK YOU TO THE ARBOGAST FAMILY FOR THIS GENEROUS DONATION!!
- H. Concrete for kindergarten playground - Concrete work order is in with proposed cost of \$817.41. Heather will be in contact with Home Depot in hopes of getting concrete donated. More information to come soon.

- I. Art and Science Night - Successful event and cookies and free raffle tickets were a hit. Thank you for your cookie donations to PTO families.
*Gator gear sales profited \$302.23
- J. Craft Fair Updates -
 - a. 14 spots have been sold at this time. There are 2 spots left in the cafeteria, 11 in the hallway and 9 in the quad. Hoping to book more crafters and vendors soon.
 - b. \$475.00 deposited thus far in craft fair dues.
 - c. Provide hot dog lunch for each vendor. One lunch ticket will be provided to each vendor spot. PTO has hot dogs and will purchase buns and chips.
 - d. Advertising- Need to discuss further.
- K. Apex Fun Run- Apex is coming! April 23rd will be this year's fun run and the theme is GAME ON! First flyer will go out before spring break. Volunteers to decorate school Friday April 10th. Plan is to make flyers during the month of March.
- L. Important dates for March-
 - a. 3/11 and 3/12 Spring pictures
 - b. 3/13 Pizza Factory Give Back Night
 - c. 3/16 thru 3/27 - Spring Break
- M. Principal Reports -
 - a. Kate Austill reported that Taylor lost 5 teacher and half time dean allocations due to the rezoning of our area. Each grade level in K-4 will lose the teacher with the least seniority with the school district. The teachers will relocate to another school.
 - b. Volunteer Appreciation breakfast will take place on April 17th.
 - c. SBAC testing dates were pushed out as far as possible to accommodate as much learning and instruction before testing takes place.
 - d. As of today we are projected to have approximately 530 students at Taylor next year but numbers will likely increase to about 570 - 580 by the next school year start. Numbers will likely increase over time and as building in our area continues.
 - e. Taylor also lost the .4 music teacher.

- N. Open Forum / Questions - Heidi recommended bringing in an art teacher. Jesse Hall has one and we need to look more into this and what cost would be (Initial supplies and salary) Kate recommended once monthly.

Miss Kluska and Mrs. Gipe are starting "Girls on the Run" for 3rd- 5th grade students to promote fitness and self esteem.

Teacher Appreciation Week- Mrs. Autino suggested healthy options. Teachers liked having the fridge stocked and the massages we have had in the past. More information to come.

Meeting Adjourned at 3:39pm