



PTO MINUTES

Trailblazer Elementary

October 26, 2021 4:30pm | *Meeting called to order by Kathy Goldberg (proxy for Kim)*

1. In Attendance

- Katie Sodaro-Jensen, Principal
- Christine Pommé, Assistant Principal
- PTO Board members & Kathy Goldberg

2. Treasurer's Report

- Report distributed to
- We should be receiving a check from Cold Stone
- Freddy's was really successful

3. Principal's Update

- Katie talked about the Book Fair and Star Lab
 - Profit from the book fair is not know at this time, but was considered successful
- A Student Wellness Group has been started by 3x TBE teachers
 - The leadership team is for 4th – 6th grade
 - Kids will do mindfulness activities
 - K – 3rd grade Wellness Group is in the works (replaces the No Place for Hate program from last year)
- Christine discussed PBIS (the positive behavior support program) and how the themes self-regulation/self-management and organization skills are wrapping up. Next month's theme is gratitude. School wide activities have been discussed to coordinate with the gratitude theme.
- Katie spoke about the contract with Boosterthon and how the PTO felt about the money to be spent on that, if signed.
 - There are other options (TBE runs the fundraiser, other programs like GetMoovin)
 - TBE had done the lowest level of Boosterthon, which assists with the prizes and communications, etc.
 - Expiration date to decide/sign the contract is October 31st for the dates we'd like next year.
 - Consensus was not to have TBE PTO run the fundraiser due to commitment issues

4. Grant Applications (6x total)

- Ms. Lemmons – Subscription for Seesaw Plus and Breakout EDU (all grade levels/all subjects) 400 people - \$219.00
- Ms. Hoover – Virtual field trips (2x/students for 2x trips) - \$148.00
- Christine Pommé – Dr. King Jr. assembly intended for day after MLK day - \$200.00
- Christine Pommé – Prizes for PBIS - \$100.00

- Mr. C. - 12x floor hockey sticks for taller kids - \$300.00
- Ms. Bates – Howard Wigglebottom Series - \$100.00
 - **Voted – APPROVED (all 6x approved)**

5. Restaurant Night

- Lost Cajun, November 9th
- Kneaders, December 16th
 - They will wear TBE shirts and create custom pastries with TBE logo

6. Events - Pasta & Bingo Night, Breakfast with Santa, etc.

- Pasta & Bingo Night has been postponed due to Covid restrictions
- Signup Genius has been sent out for volunteers for the Breakfast
 - Still need more volunteers
- Idea of more “grab-n-go” breakfast items vs. pancakes to possibly make it easier
- Possibly put the craft tables in hallways to provide more space
- Tickets will have timeslots to help with Covid issues
- Kim will be organizing the craft fair and tree raffle
 - Katie said we cannot do “raffle” tickets since it’s considered gambling. We need to reword the verbiage to maybe “donate”
 - Christine said Cimmeron Elementary School does the same type of “raffle” event so we will reach out to them to see how they do it
- Discussion on ticket prices and tiers (family price, individual price with more raffle tickets, child’s price without raffle tickets, etc.)
- Skate City

7. PTO Additional Planning Night

- Kathleen is organizing an additional PTO event at Grist Brewery to talk about volunteer opportunities and taking the “formality” out of the official PTO meeting at TBE
 - Said the time constrictions for the formal meeting are what is possibly hindering attendance. If we have these organizing meetings later (7pm) then more people may attend.