



PTO MINUTES

Trailblazer Elementary

Tuesday November 14, 2023 5:30pm | *Meeting called to order by Kayla Mander, PTO President*

Welcome + Introductions

Treasurer's report

- We did get a couple of matching donations from the Fun Run
- Stacie updated the Fun Run numbers
- She started organizing for the Winter Breakfast
 - i. We've already broken even with monies received - \$288.00 received to date
- The In-N-Out truck numbers are finalized – profited \$932.00
- The larger Kroger check was received (slightly over \$1,800.00)
- Stacie spoke with Rachelle earlier and was surprised that a lot of the grants haven't been paid for yet
 - i. Rachelle hasn't received a bill for the water fountains, so those have not yet been paid for yet
 - ii. We need to sort out the status of the refrigerators (prior grant request)
- Stacie received a \$450.00 check with a memo of "Entertainment"
 - i. A vendor never cashed a check and after a year, it comes back to us

Principal's report

- Katie spoke about the passing of 5a and how excited the TBE Staff is about it
 - i. They will get back pay starting in January
- 287 students and projection was 295
 - i. They do have money carried over from last year to pay for the student shortage
- An author will be coming by TB tomorrow to talk about her book with the students and discuss what being an author is like
- Starting middle of the year testing soon (when students get back from break)
- Michelle spoke about PBIS – this month's theme is gratitude
 - i. The students are completed multiple projects to express how their gratitude

New Grant requests

Rachelle (Administrative Assistant)

- Name of request: Need pencil sharpeners (heavy duty)
- Description of request: They need 4x pencil sharpeners
- Number of student affected: All TBE staff
- Money requested: \$108.00

i. \$108.00– VOTED, APPROVED

Prior Grant Requests Notes:

- ❖ Kayla asked Katie about who would be responsible for the refrigerators and Katie does not think it would be something the school would pay for. The grant request is still pending until that information is confirmed.
- ❖ Christina Marriott asked about if PTO could pay for the prizes for BOTB
 - PTO cannot pay for this since it won't be applied to all TBE kids
 - Ms. Abercrombie discussed her interest in sponsoring the BOTB and has spoken with Kayla in detail about how to accomplish this. She will also reach out to Christina to discuss.

Fun Run 2023 Recap & Details for 2024

- 1st Grade Field Trip on November 1st
- Kayla said for the 2024 Fun Run, we have new sponsors for the t-shirts
 - Fastsigns of Lakewood & Rachele Abercrombie at Remax Professionals
 - We can sort out the tier structure for the other prior sponsors

King Soopers Community Rewards sign up challenge –

- Congratulations 4th grade!!
- Popcorn bar on Friday November 17
 - i. Kathleen will buy the supplies for this
 - ii. It shouldn't be much – approx. \$200

Winter Breakfast + Silent Auction

- Saturday, December 9, 9-11am
 - i. Ticket cost: \$8.00 per person, 5 and under free!
 - ii. Food: prepared by TRHS Pro Start Program (\$5 per person food cost)
 - iii. Hot drinks: Frothy Sloth Coffee Truck (separate purchase)
- Kayla spoke about how the Festival of Trees isn't happening this year and we are focusing on the silent auction
- The silent auction will all be online and there will be QR codes near each item
 - i. All bidding will end at 10:30 the morning of the 9th
- We spoke about how to get discounted ticket price for families who need them

PTO needs to purchase:

- Plates, napkins, utensils, tablecloths, décor, juice, water
- Children's crafts, Facepainting supplies, Instamax film

Kayla needs help picking up some received donations. Who can help please?

Need help setting up items on silent auction website after November 30

Photos with Mrs. Claus

GiftCrowd for teacher + staff holiday gift giving

- Send out email + create fliers
- Kathleen to will set this up again

Gift cards for teachers + staff for holidays

- Approve amount and when to distribute
 - i. Target has a special of 10% off gift cards
 - ii. There are approx. 55 gift cards needed
- Money requested: \$1,375.00 (\$25.00/gift card)
 - i. \$1,375.00 – VOTED, APPROVED**

Restaurant Fundraiser Nights

Thursday, November 9, 12-9pm - Panda Express (20% back to TBE!): **\$202.39**

Thursday, November 30, 4-8pm - Qdoba (25% back to TBE!)

Thursday, December 14, 4-8pm - Noodle's (25% back to TBE!)

Wednesday, January 10, 4-8pm - Chipotle (33% back to TBE!)

Tuesday, February 6 - Mod Pizza (20% back to TBE!)

Thursday, February 29, 5-8pm - Main Event (eat, drink or play... 20% back to TBE!)

Wednesday, March 13 – Lazy Dog (15% back to TBE!)

Friday, April 12 – Coldstone Creamery (20% back to TBE!)

Tuesday, May 7 – Modern Market (20% back to TBE!)

WatchDOGS

- Schedules are open. Please sign up for one day (or more!) on our website.

Open Discussion

- The March PTO meeting will be a combo meeting with SAC
- Katie will remind the TB staff to fill out grant request for field trips