Minutes for PTO Executive Meeting – November 14, 2023 6:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

6:02 p.m. – 6:28 p.m. Executive Meeting – All board members present except Carly Warrener.

Mrs. Vieira and Mrs. Dohoney were in attendance.

Recap of Trunk or Treat - 55-60 trunks were in attendance. Just enough candy but then lots donated back to PVE.

P Bruins Night – 11/12/23 – No one at this meeting was in attendance

Movie Night – 12/12/23 – Trolls – no school the next day. So far approximately 120 tickets have been sold. The theatre offered to extend their Tuesday discount to us at \$6.00 per ticket. An option will be given to anyone that has already purchased tickets at \$12.00; they can request a refund for the \$6.00 or donate it to the PTO. If they request a refund, checks will be there for them that day and be handed out to the parents by Mrs. Lakeway and Mrs. Adler.

Brain Show Assembly – Incentive for success of the Boosterthon. Will take place in the gym, 3-4 podiums set up (sort of like the Price is Right). Kids are chosen to come up and answer grade appropriate questions for points. Unclear if there are prizes awarded.

Holiday Event (Santa) 12/06/2023 – Gina Sifikas is leading this event. Sensory 5:30 – 6:00 and then will open up to all other students 6:00 – 7:30. Chorus Performance will take place in the gym and there will be 2 times scheduled (perhaps by last name?) 6:00 -6:30 and 6:45-7:15. Santa will be available for a photo op in between Door 4 and the doors to the courtyard. Santa will give out the ornament that can be assembled in the cafeteria. Other ornaments will also be available in the cafeteria for kids that don't visit Santa. There will be a selection of ornaments to choose; ie. Christmas or Hannukah. In the cafeteria there will be stations set up for cookies and milk, ornament assembly and reindeer dust. We need volunteers for this event and a sign-up form will be sent out shortly. Maybe some middle school helpers/volunteers.

Holiday Shop (kid's shopping) 12/18/23 – 12/22/23 (NOT 12/20/23 – chorus performance) – We need volunteers for this event and a sign-up form will be sent out shortly.

Teacher Conference night - 12/13/23 - dinner provided to teachers – Teachers and all staff members (including custodians) will receive a google form to select a meal from 4-5 choices from Ocean State Sandwiches. Food will be delivered to the school.

Amazon Account – New account for PTO which is tax exempt. A prime membership was purchased.

PayPal account – Linked to the Citizen's Bank account. So far working well.

Bank RI – No recent activity. \$ 500 balance which will be closed out as soon as the names on the account can get there to close it out and the funds will go to Citizen's account.

Staff Reimbursements – Must be a PTO member to receive reimbursement. Up to \$150 per year. \$75 from Sept-Jan and \$75 from Feb-June. The amount will increase to \$100 per term as of January. Going forward for next school year, the reimbursement will be up to \$200 for the year after payment of \$10 dues to PTO.

Treasurer's Report - Deb reviewed what has been paid and what the balances are in the accounts. We paid out about \$30,000 last month.

Minutes for PTO General Meeting 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. - All board members present except Alycia Casazza and Carly Warrener.

Mrs. Vieira and Mrs. Dohoney were in attendance.

6:31 p.m. – 6:58 p.m.

Trunk or Treat/Candy Donations – 10/14/23 – Candy donations – thank you to Jill Marshall - 55-60 trunks were in attendance. Just enough candy but then lots donated back to PVE.

Pumpkin donation for "pumkinpalooza" - Mrs. MJ was extremely grateful for this event and thanked the PTO via text as she was unable to attend the meeting.

Recess items purchased again – Bubbles, balls, connect 4, chalk, jump ropes. More to be purchased following this meeting.

Providence Bruins Night – 11/12/23 - Event was successful. 8 full rows from PVE. Hats for the kids. Enjoyed the game into O.T. Perfect date as no school the following day.

Future events:

Movie Night Update— **12/12/23 (no school 12/13/23)** - Trolls — no school the next day. So far approximately 120 tickets have been sold. The theatre offered to extend their Tuesday discount to us at \$ 6.00 per ticket. An option will be given to anyone that has already purchased tickets at \$ 12.00; they can request a refund for the \$ 6.00 or donate it to the PTO. If they request a refund, checks will be there for them that day and be handed out to the parents by Mrs. Lakeway and Mrs. Adler.

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Bringing back School Play in Spring 2024 – Play will be Willy Wonka. Auditions will be in January for 4th and 5th graders only. The show will be in May 2024.

Science Kits and Math workbooks – 11/30, 12/1 and 12/5 – Looking for volunteers to pack up fall kits and then unpack Winter science kits. During that time, the chess pieces will be put together as well.

Treasurer's report – Deb reviewed withdrawals, etc.

Principal's Report – Terry Vieira presented – All elementary schools are doing a math camp which includes games and activities. It is not tutoring. It'll be held 3:20 -4:50 on selected days.

Alex Furland – former student has offered to set up a lending library in the garden area. Items may be taken from the old Winsor school for this as well. Per deb, there is still \$5,000 in the account for anything to do with the garden. Garden boxes need some rebuilding and that is being done.

Veteran's Day was a wonderful celebration. Perhaps next year or for Memorial Day we could do a balloon arch and a coffee hour for the Veteran's in the cafeteria.

Books re: Inclusion

On 4/4 there will be a ceremony for a Veteran turning 100 years old.

Always in need of volunteers for all events.

Check Lost and Found

On 12/2 at the town parage -5^{th} graders are doing a float. Looking for volunteers.

Next meeting on 12/5, the principal from Gallagher will be present re: RICAS scores, etc.