

Minutes for PTO Executive Meeting – October 3, 2023

6:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. Executive Meeting – All board members present except Gina Sifikas. Also Mrs. MJ, Mrs. Vieira and Mrs. Dohoney were in attendance.

6:03 p.m. - 6:29 p.m.

Recap of Boosterthon - Raised \$32k and more coming, leftover rewards to be sold at winter wonderland, donate items or keep for kids, etc.

Recess items needed - Approximately 12 each of - Kick balls, soccer balls, basketballs, nerf footballs – items need to be donated for recess – no jump ropes needed, hand ball Velcro, connect 4, chess set – already have – need stickers to affix like maybe someone with a cricket could do that. Bubbles that lock so there isn't spilling, bubble machines that we already have and gallons of bubbles that were from last year. Also need large bins as some have been damaged and need replacing. Email to PTO members that can help put the chess set together.

Trunk or treat – we need more vehicles to set up trunks. We have 35 so far and we'd like to have 72 or more. Mrs. Vieira will send out another message re: participation.

Teacher reimbursements – they need to fill out a form and submit to get reimbursed.

Treasurer's report – we are due one more large deposit from Boosterthon and then have to pay Boosterthon itself. \$ 44k checking \$45k savings account, Bank RI account is dwindling, use paypal, cheddar up but it has a fee.

Veteran's Day display – we hired dec my yard- all set

Teacher conf night dinner ideas – meals will be ordered ahead and will be individually wrapped by Ocean State Sandwiches

"Pumpkin Palooza" – working with unified to set that up in the courtyard – each classroom – maybe Jaswell's would donate? We would need them by Oct 16 so they can start working on them. They will be done at home with the parents and brought in to display.

Minutes for PTO General Meeting 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

6:31 p.m. - 7:03 p.m.

Introductions – everyone introduced themselves and stated who their children are, etc.

Rock wall is ordered and will be put up and then paid for.

\$ from Boosterthon goes towards recess purchases, field trips, etc, etc.

Trunk or treat – need more trunks – we now have 35 trunks, people who are not setting up trunks are asked to donate candy – nut free. Will be held in teacher’s lot. If you have a trunk you can’t leave early for safety concerns.

P Bruins game – 11/12/23 @ 3pm – no school the next day. Advance tickets are required. It’s “Marvel Day” – might be a free hat giveaway?

Movie night – Lincoln cinema is reserved – Tuesday, 12/12, no school 12/13

Brain show – they are coming back again as it was promised as an incentive for Boosterthon

Santa night – we need the gym as we already have it reserved but seems there is also a volleyball game that night in the gym. Mrs. Vieira will have the volleyball game re-scheduled to a different location.

Holiday shoppe – week of 12/18 – Wednesday, 12/20 not open – we need volunteers to help in the old library. Mailer bags are cheaper than paper bags – decorate bags ahead of time with stamps, etc.?

Recess order – items to play with for all the kids – need volunteers to put together the chess set for outside. They have mats for it too. It’ll be set up in the courtyard perhaps or maybe basketball court.

Staff coffee in the courtyard – by principal

Teacher/parent conf night – purchase dinner

Treasurer’s report – \$ 89k – plus we have to pay Boosterthon back

Spring fundraisers – calendars and bingo night.

Teacher appreciation week in the future will have events each day for teachers and staff.

Custodians were given appreciation gifts this week

Principal’s report – meeting with 5th grade committee – student council, “Choose to Include” on the wall at each of the recess doors – 5th graders can design it

Sensory garden was amazing

Revive the roots – 10/19 and 10/20 and again in November

5th grade bike safety program at end of October

2nd graders – field trip to revive the roots 10/26 and 10/27

10/16 – 2 fire safety assemblies

Oops box – children can't bring toys to school at all unless it's a fidget

Lost and found – water bottles and sweatshirts

Need help with the pots in the garden – someone that could take it over to help.

12/4 – science kits need to be brought in and others brought out – approved

Safety – dropping off late or picking up early – kids go in or come out but parents are only going into the doorway

Next meeting is 11/14 b/c there's no school on 11/7

No plans for after school programs – too much for the school – space, complaints, etc. 563 students at PVE, any volunteers are welcome to start up the program

Need volunteers for morning recess