PTO Meeting Minutes 8/18/25

* Motion to begin- 6:30
  + Called by Trisha Atkeson, seconded by Sarah Margalis
* Introductions
* Approve meeting minutes from 7/21/25
  + Called by Trisha Atkeson, seconded by Sarah Margalis
* Attendance: Trisha Atkeson, Sarah Margalis, Deanna Yauch, Sarah Fox, Toria Trendler, Michelle Polito, Shannon Tevis, Meridith Tietz, Wendy Hall, Veronica Sandoval, Jake Davis, Erin Whitmer, Jacquie Ligas, Yesi Russo, Alanna Cook, Ashley Haugen Lewis, Chris Pantier, Shauna Baker Christy.
* **President’s Notes:**
  + Pick attendees for SSO Annual Training
  + GoDaddy renewal
  + IXL Payment delay--Sarah M. waiting for IXL to allow payment
  + Confirm Erin W. will handle staff/teacher appreciation events
  + Qustodio registration information to monitor students device usage.
    - Dr. Davis will follow up after learning more
  + Fatcats earned ~$872.
* **Treasurer’s Notes:**
  + Uniforms, spirit shirts, lanyards/clips earned ~$4300 over summer.
  + Approve annual budget
    - Called by Chris Pantier, seconded by Trisha Atkeson
  + Give Veronica the list of teachers that still need to pay their half of spirit shirts
* **Event Notes:**
  + Prospective Student Night (10/21)
    - PTO Presence requested
  + Bingo and Baked Goods (10/24) NJHS
    - PTO will gather prizes; Dr. Davis will send out Parent Square request for prizes
* **Principal's Notes:**
  + Increase marketing to increase enrollment
    - Mesa Uplands magazine ad
    - Mailed adverts
    - Alanna Cook may have connection to wider spread newspaper for ads
    - Visit GT classes to promote
    - Attend AGT conference in February
  + Spikeball availability during structured activity
    - Balls may be prone to going over fence
    - Balls are expensive to replace
    - Space constraint
  + Gaga ball going forward
    - After the weather cools down
    - Everyday activity or special occasion
      * This was originally a prize as a permanent installment after raising a certain amount during the FunRun
  + Allowing more colors for uniform bottoms
    - Khaki, Navy, and Black
    - No sweats, denim, or leggings
    - Earliest rollout would be January
  + Allowing College sweatshirts during cooler months, in addition to standard academy colored ones
  + Cross-post MAAS social media posts with the PTO page
* **Eating for Ed**
  + MOD Pizza 8/28, all day
  + Fliers will go out 1 week in advance, digital announcement will go out day before or day of
* **Volunteer Notes**
  + Some volunteers are still not being contacted after filling out QR code form. Trisha will contact Keeley about this.
  + Sign-up genius for daily fill-ins will be posted for September
  + Sarah Fox is willing to orient new parents on lunch duty
  + Trisha Atkeson is willing to orient new parents on structured duty
* **Teacher Liaison**
  + Mr. Dixon gave a big thank you for the approval and funds for instrument tags
  + Mr. Dixon will begin sponsoring choir club on TUesdays and Thursdays during big kid lunch
  + Sra. Sandoval needs any dates for upcoming PTO-hosted events
  + Int. Fest
    - Block off calendars for that afternoon/evening
    - Encourage more families to make food for event
* **Closing statements**
  + Meridith gave a big thank you for supporting IXL in the classroom
  + Trisha gave a thank you to everyone for coming out and for all the new parents who came
* **Adjourn meeting (7:50pm)**
  + Called by Trisha Atkeson, seconded by Erin Whitmer