

**PTO BOARD MEETING MINUTES**  
**Nov. 7<sup>th</sup> 2019**

7:05 – Called the meeting to order in the Media Center.

Carrie Klimkowicz

Principals Report

Mike Madison

- AAPD visits to all of the classes.
- Safety drills completed.
- Dicken Dash events and assembly very impressive for October.
- Students want to know when they going to get “fancy dancy lunch!”
- Dicken Pods – new initiative to have a cross-graded group get together to discuss lessons (Ex. what does kindness mean to you?)
- Fabulous Pumpkin Patch night!
- Leader in Me coaching day and parent orientation completed.
- Halloween parties for all classes and the indoor parade went well.
- Picture retakes completed. Issues need to go through Lifetouch.
- Parent teacher conferences in process 11.4 – 11.7 and following week.
- Flu shot clinic conducted on 11.4. They ran out of shots because of so many participants.
- Scholastic book sales – raised \$5,000, each teacher at least 12 new books for their classrooms and Ms. McCale can order new series for the media center.
- Bond did pass to support Ann Arbor Public Schools.
- Teachers working on fall report cards coming home on 11.26.
- Field trips to Matilda (4/5) and Young 5 (Farmer’s Market)
- Movie night coming up, classes selected to focus on science theme.
- Coming up: lock down drills. Wording will go home in the newsletter.
- 11.19 Community Night Out at Panera.
- We will offer Thanksgiving baskets to families in need of support.
- No school 11.27 – 29.
- Dicken snowman will be available again this year, Christmas gifts for needy Dicken families.
- Super Science Day Dec. 9-10. Volunteers needed.
- Jennifer Brogno:
  - Lighthouse leadership team is recommending recess activities (24 minutes as an alternative to recess to stay inside). They might do online sign-ups. Targeting January implementation.
  - She discussed the need to support teacher’s through investment self-care and year-long appreciation efforts such as spa gift cards, coffee machine, birthday celebrations.

New Business & Reports

Carrie Klimkowicz

1. Auction - Guest speaker- Lauren K.

Lauren moved the auction date to March 20 and we will be at a new location, Travis Pointe at comparable price. The theme will be Trivia Night. We will have less auction items and hold more time for Trivia Night. Replace live auction with raffle. Jen Miller will organize the Trivia portion. One hour of Trivia on teams. No class baskets this year but we will still do teacher experiences and room parents will do art with their classes.

## 2. GRANTS-

- a. Mrs. Hoffman, school nurse asked for \$129 for an ice maker and the fridge is not big enough for trays of ice. Approved.
- b. Rob Meier asked for a permanent sound system in the gym. Not approved. Ms. Posey will inform him that he can access the PTO sound system whenever he needs it. Also, a sound system may be part of the renovations passed through the bond.

## 3. Other

- a. Rob Meier asked to reinstate the American Heart Association Jump Rope for Heart fundraiser. We said if they can move it to April, when we have fewer fundraisers and if you can find a way to reduce the trinkets.
- b. Thank you cards circulated for Dash committee
- c. Thank you to Tammy for researching and getting the speaker for us! It was great!
- d. Thank you to Kelly for co-chairing the PP
- e. Script – Anna will follow up with Janine to see if we are going to use it. But, we will not promote it this year because it is complicated. If people want to continue it, then they will be available.

## Report- Outs/ Questions

President Elect – How's the garden-info on the grant you wrote!

Jen Miller

- Garden renovations underway!
- Working on a grant for guided reading = \$2000 for Kindergarden.

Treasurer – Dash money- PP

Nick Stauder

- Reviewed profit and loss statements.
- We gained more than budget (+\$534) from PTO thrift.
- Dicken Dash and the Dicken Run gained approximately \$26,000 net revenue
- Positive revenue from Pumpkin Patch
- Changed strategy on healthy snacks to align with budget.

Treasurer Elect – Thank you for doing all the tickets.

Augustina Fagner

Teacher Liaison- Parent teacher conference

Jessica Posey

- Teachers responded well to the book fair and appreciated the food provided on Monday at the parent teacher conferences.

Staff Liaison- Yoga with Creswell this month?

Adrienne Licota

- Ms. Creswell is interested in offering yoga but the gym is always booked. Looking at other space options (242 or local churches).

Secretary – questions or comments!?

Kim Walsh

Fundraising- Dash- great job- Auction help raffle items.

Anna Lavery

- Community Night Out at Panera on 11.19.

Volunteer Coord- thoughts on water cups at PP? Not in attendance  
Room- Parent coordinator- spirit wear

Kelly Bauer  
Tammy Bauer

- Almost all of the room parents are accounted and Tammy and Carrie are covering those that need support.
- Challenges with the SpiritWear due to buy ups. Might switch to another company in the future.
- Coatrack will be added in the hallway for lunch assistants.
- Winter clothing is available

Enrichment- popcorn okayed- Movie picked? Nov. 15!

Dana McPherran

- Rover the Robot coming throughout the day on 11.15 and Movie night will be at Dicken. Bring your own water bottle. WALL-E.

Communications -New lay out

Vanessa Revelli

Hospitality- How was PP food numbers? Teacher conferences

Erin and Barb

- We will only do salad at the ice cream social rather than at Pumpkin Party.

PTOC –

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Closed meeting Dec. 5 for Holiday party! My house 7-9!

Adjourned at 9:00.

*Minutes submitted by Kim Walsh.*