February

Pittsfield Elementary School-PTO Meeting Minutes

630PM-830PM in the PES Library

Present: Melissa Babcock, Ross Morse, Kelly Page, Kathy Lemay, Katie Cote, Darlene Stewart, Jossie Rowell

The meeting was in a structured social format. Melissa introduced herself as well as others present. The meeting progressed to a discussion format surrounding the feedback collected. The main focus of the meeting was about Winterfest, feedback from previous fundraiser, spring fundraiser ideas, and Literacy event

Melissa read and passed out the Treasurers report. The treasure report read was approved.

Kindergarten registration was discussed and will be held on March 21st. Kindergarteners that register will meet some of the teachers and have a tour of the school. The upcoming kindergartners will also get a chance to be a part of kindergarten camp to help transition kindergartens to school.

Members discussed fundraiser baskets that were done back in December. Overall the fundraiser baskets were very successful and brought in a total of $2,683.00 for the school. Feedback from parents and teachers were very positive, although the timing next year of the baskets may be moved to September. This way it gives teachers and parents enough time to gather items for the baskets as well it not interfering with holiday fun and events.

The PTO will have a table at Winterfest this year. Members will be there from 1-4 on February 24th making snowman kits with the children that attend. Snowman kits will be made with items that are being donated by the community, parents and teachers.

Spring Fundraiser ideas included “Run for Ed” and “Color Run 5K”. Run for Ed is a company that does fundraisers for schools .It’s a one day event for the school, community and parents. Schools would pick a theme like “turkey trot, bunny hop etc.” and funds would be raised by donations. For example if little John Smith wanted to run in this fundraiser his aunt, mom dad, family friend would send in money and John Smith would display those names on his running bib. The members discussed the pros and cons of both “Run for Ed” and “Color Run”. Pros included it involves the community, family and it’s something active for the children. Con’s included staffing for the event, and scheduling concerns. Members agreed that the amount of time and planning it takes to pull of these types of fundraisers is not doable for this spring but maybe next year.

The secretary report mins was read. Members approved mins read.

Members made a motion to move the PTO meeting time to 6:00 instead of 6:30 to ensure teachers could stay for more information and more parents could make it. Motion was approved.

PTO members discussed doing a possible Corn hole Tournament at this year’s Balloon Rally. Melissa found a resource that carries out Corn hole Tournaments for free. PTO discussed prizes for winners, registration fees and how teams would be made. Members also discussed trying to get a building request from the school just in case it rains. Members voted on Corn Hole tournament. Members approved.

Literacy night will be held on a Friday night March 16th. Families will get a chance to read books together. There will also be a teaching station where the kids will get to rotate, guest speakers and light refreshments.

Members voted on paying $300 for printing 6th grade shirts. Motion was approved.

Be sure to always check back for more information in our next meeting! Lot’s of fun things will be coming up in the warmer months!

Darlene Stewart mad a motion to accept treasures report. Jossie seconded it. Motion approved.

Ross made a motion to move the PTO meetings to 6:00pm. Katie seconded it. Motion approved.

Katie made a motion to approve last meeting minutes. Jossie seconded it. Motion approved.

Katie made a motion to approve paying $300 for printing 6th grade shirts. Jossie seconded it. Motion approved.