# **Southland Elementary PTO Meeting Minutes**

Date: Wednesday, January 9<sup>th</sup>
Time: 6:30 p.m.
Location: Teachers' Lounge

- 1. Call to Order 6:31pm
- 2. Staff Wish Lists- none
- 3. Changes to Minutes- none
- 4. Treasurer's Report \$25,358.63 in checking account / \$2,018.80 of it is Angel Fund money.
- 5. EC Report
  - a. Laura Stroup introduced herself as the new PS teacher.
  - b. Preschool trips to elem. Are starting back up. They will come over once a week.
  - c. Preschool screening Feb. 6<sup>th</sup>.
  - d. Special Ed program has transitioned their students to their home districts and everything went smoothly.
- 6. Principal's Report
  - a. Student teacher in the building in third grade, Brooklyn Johnson- Southland Grad. So if you see a new face this is who she is.
  - b. Our students are currently in their 3<sup>rd</sup> round of FAST testing (district) and things are going well.
  - c. All the staff of the elementary school and early childhood received seizure training from the Epilepsy Foundation. The information was extremely helpful and staff learned a lot.
  - d. No school on Jan. 21<sup>st</sup> and Jan. 28<sup>th</sup> they will however be staff development days.
  - e. Staff is doing a Step Challenge through the SECOOP and are up against ALL school districts within Mower County as well as SE MN! So if you see the staff encourage them to keep stepping!
  - f. The school board is working with consultants for building/remodeling and had a huge meeting a few nights ago. On the 21<sup>st</sup> the consultants will come in and break staff into focus groups focusing on specific topics. They are planning on at least 4 months of planning before they even get into construction. The school board has not voted yet but will be discussing keeping the elementary school open until Aug. 2020. Then merge all children into one building once construction is complete.

#### 7. Old Business

- a. Book Fair Feedback How were sales?
  - i. Sales by year:

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2016 – Sold $4,726.74 – Made $2,363.37
2017 – Sold $4,499.25 – Made $2,249.62
2018 – Sold $3,738.61 – Made $1,869.05
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Do we want to renew the contract for Dec again?- Yes – there was good discussion on keeping this as a fundraiser due to coming into one building may bring more sales.

b. Santa's workshop - Feedback/changes to be made? Supplies needed for next year? – Bags were purchased this year and never used so there will be some for next year. Put on form for next year, No stuffed animals. Here is the financial breakdown:

Deposited: \$866.75

Cash in Box: \$300.00

\$566.75

Bag Purchase: \$278.11

**Profit:** \$288.64

- c. Yearbook Update on progress No one on the committee present for a report
- 8. New Business
  - a. Movie night Angie and Alisha will be working the evening
    - i. Jan 18<sup>th</sup> 6pm 745pm
    - ii. Small Foot REMINDER: There will be NO Posting to Social Media that this is a movie night! We are going to say a Family Fun Night. This will be posted in the Parent Link (when it closer). Chrissy has already emailed to Katie some info to do a portal push for the families so they can get it on their calendars. One the day of the event teachers will place stickers on the children to remind the parents of the night!
    - iii. Popcorn Supply looks good.
  - b. Bingo Night
    - i. Date and Time Feb. 15. 6p-745p
    - ii. Workers 3 in the kitchen 5:15-7:45 FULL all volunteers secured
      - 1 Bingo Candy Bar Table 5:45
      - 1 Popcorn 5:45
      - 1 Food Table 5:45

## Only need 3 more to fill the night!!

- iii. Food Chrissy will order from kitchen again Cookies and Pop form is ready to go to Katie when we need it sent out - Candy bars will be purchased from Costco. THOUGHT: What is everyone's thought on ordering the pizza from Papa Murphy's??? Chrissy could get a good deal and possibly cut the cost of the event.
- iv. Changing the cost of meals?- Voted to keep them same.
- McDonald's or Culvers Fundraiser for March Decided to do McDonald's voucher fundraiser. Missy Felten will take this on and submit form report back dates at the next meeting.
- d. Art Show
  - i. Date and Time April 25<sup>th</sup> 5:30p 8pm
  - ii. Worker list Laura/Allison Student Council Members
  - iii. Flyers Ready to go
  - iv. Food Chrissy will be in contact with food service to order

### e. Carnival

- i. Date: Friday, May 17<sup>th</sup>
- ii. Groups
  - 1. Advertising Tauna are you willing to do this again?
  - 2. Donation List Distribution Chrissy (MN Twins) –Lists will be divided tonight If you would like to volunteer for a section please ask Chrissy
    - a. Still need 1 more person to ask in Adams
    - b. Still need 1 more person to ask in Austin
    - c. Still need 2 more people to ask for Silent Auction items
  - 3. Food Jill is willing to do this again.
  - 4. Games Susan is willing to do this again.
  - 5. Organization Brian / Chrissy
  - 6. Prizes Carrie/Kelli
  - 7. Raffle/Baskets-Jill/Sherry
  - 8. Tickets/Money Sherry

## f. Any other business

- i. Transportation Thank you Update Chrissy has spoken with Jenny. There are 17 bus drivers and 5 van drivers. We decided to create one THANK YOU and purchase 22 gift cards to Bubble's (8), The Creek (8), Oasis (3), and The Port (3). Jenny will allow each driver to choose which card they would like. Chrissy needs input on the amount...do we want to do \$20 per driver? That would only be \$440...or were others thinking less or more?
- ii. Inflatables for Carnival We need to decide if we want the same place to do the inflatables again for the carnival. They are very expense but they do supply the workers and do all their own set up and tear down. Chrissy will check into the Armory to see if they offer their inflatables for little to nothing. She will report back next meeting.
- iii. Ornaments There was a flyer in the PTO box about ordering ornaments for Christmas next year as a fundraiser. Some thought that maybe Beth W had gotten some in the past and Chrissy will talk with her to see where she got them. Otherwise Chrissy will look into local companies or small businesses in the area to see if this is something they can get us.
- g. Next Meeting: Wednesday, February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 6:30 in the teacher's lounge

Adjourned: 7:28pm