

## **2019 - 2020 Merritt Elementary PTA Meeting**

Date: Wednesday, October 2, 2019

Time: 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm

Location: Merritt Elementary Library

5:33 - Meeting called to order by Laura

### **In Attendance:**

Officers: President - Laura Peterson  
Vice President – Marie Lira  
Treasurer - Emily Uhnjem  
Secretary – Kaija Uglem

### **Attendees:**

Tiffany Durbahn  
Angela Turner  
Amanda Inmon  
Courtney Inmon  
Shawna Jensen  
Erica Holder  
Lindsay Hoag  
Sara Hipple  
Jim Hipple  
Chuck Uhnjem

## **AGENDA & DISCUSSION**

### **Financial Report by Emily Uhnjem**

- Bank with: American Bank of the North
- 3 Accounts: General Checking, Savings, and Activity Account
- Vote to Close “Activity Account” and roll funds into Savings Account
  - Motion Made by Marie Lira
  - Second by Kaija Uglem
  - Unanimous Vote Passed

### **Addition of Square Credit Card Payment Option**

### **Visit PayPal option for alternate payment methods**

Discussion to include: explanation of PayPal and purpose for PTA use, costs, and setup process. Emily and Kaija will work together to set up and initiate.

- Motion Made by Jim Hipple
- Second by Courtney Inmon
- Unanimous Vote Passed

### **Purchases Discussion**

When shopping, if we see clearance items that would make good prizes for the KidFit Carnival, within a \$5-\$10 price range, snap a picture and send to PTA group or purchase and submit receipt for reimbursement.

## **October Teacher Contest**

- Prizes: 2 Chests of goodies/trinkets
- Participation: To be entered to win one of the two prize chests, Teachers must have the highest percentage of class participation on “Wear Orange Against Bullying Day”
  - October 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2019 (National Participation Day)
  - Wear Orange clothes and accessories
  - Teacher must send a picture of their class in their Orange gear to qualify
  - Winners will be selected based on Participation Percentage (to be fair to smaller classes)
  - Teacher will indicate on with their photo
    - Total students participated
    - Total students in class

## **School Store/ Spirit Wear**

- Spirit Wear at ALL Home Games
- Need schedule for Spirit Wear Booth Volunteer Signup
  - Thursday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> Games
    - Marie will set up Booth
    - Grades 2-3 (5:30 – 6:30) Kaija
    - Grades 4-5 (6:30 – 7:30) Angela
    - Marie will take down

## **New Teacher Book Purchases**

Laura will reach out to teachers to process orders

## **Fundraisers**

### **Candy Bars**

- Parents will be notified regarding outstanding money
- Prizes will be ordered AFTER all money is received
- Payment to World’s Finest due on October 10, 2019
  - Emily will make payment

### **Kettle River Pizza’s**

- October 16 – 30 (Sale Dates)
- Need 2 Volunteers for pickup date: November 7<sup>th</sup> (3pm – 5:30pm)
- Pizza’s CANNOT go home on the bus, parents must arrange for pickup

## **Yearbook**

- First round of ordering reminders went home with kids
- Encourage parents to order online
- Need pictures for EACH Class and EACH Grade
- Will include ECCE kids in yearbook

## **NED Show**

- Wednesday, April 29<sup>th</sup>, 2020
- PTA will sell products for one week following program
  - Wednesday April 29 – Tuesday, May 5
  - Need Volunteers to sell before school or during lunch (1hr per day x 5 days)

## **Kindness Project**

- January 2020
- Random Acts of Kindness
- Each grade has a color and can earn tickets for RAK
- All tickets will be formed into a “Rainbow” in Front Lobby
- Grade with most RAK will win prize for class/grade

## **Miscellaneous**

- Playground swings have been ordered
- PTA will NOT be assisting with the Scholastic Book Fair
- Teacher Appreciation Week
  - 5 days of activities:
    - Give a teacher a high five
    - Write a compliment to a teacher
    - Share a treat with a teacher
- Para Appreciation Day – April 1, 2020
- Staff Lounge in Disarray and unwelcoming
  - Schedule “Grand Opening”
  - PTA will provide some amenities
    - Coffee pots / Keurig
    - Microwave
    - First round of snacks
    - Popcorn maker
    - Décor

## **CALL TO ACTION:**

Emily will pick up lockbox, change, and inquire on donation at Walmart

Kaija will create Spreadsheets for Volunteers and Signups

## **Meeting scheduled for 1st Wednesday each month:**

- Next meeting: November 13, 2019 (due to Conferences)
  - 5:30 - 6:30 pm
  - Merritt Library
- No December meeting

Meeting Adjourned at 6:52pm by Laura Peterson