

Farley Elementary PTO Meeting

September 24, 2019

- I. Introductions
- II. Treasurer's Report:
 - a. Color Run Summary - Have another couple of checks to go in
 - b. Full Year Report
 - c. Up to Date from May
 - i. Amazon Smile deposit – should promote it again
- III. Principal's Report:
 - a. New Family Picnic and Color Run
 - b. Office remodel – work in progress, but getting closer
 - i. Paw behind Rhonda - will not be brown
 - c. Multi-Purpose room was repainted this summer
 - i. Will be looking to put in graphics, etc. in the future
 - d. Office hallway door frames and windows are now all black from the green
 - i. Multi-purpose room doors will also be painted
 - ii. Other door frames will be in the future
 - e. Next will be the K and PreK hallway to be repainted along with the 85 lockers being installed.
 - i. Colored stripes are removed by the repainting
 - ii. More uniform look across the building
 - iii. Extra lockers will be used by paras
 - f. Pillars in library were painted, from green and blue to a gray
 - g. DRA Grant projection system will be coming
 - i. Install next Monday
 - ii. Discovered there is a sound system in the Multi-purpose room, (control box in custodial room) that they think it will be adequate for the new system and won't need to purchase the sound portion.
 - iii. DRA Grant is not meant to cover 100% so need to check on if we can still use the full amount granted
 - iv. PTO's cost will be lessened or maybe not even needed
 - h. Will project onto North wall
 - i. Remove the metal rod from the center for the curtain
 - i. Enrollment
 - i. 39 PreK with 1 more coming
 - ii. 38 K
 - iii. 34 1st
 - iv. 37 2nd
 - v. 44 3rd + 1 starting Monday
 - vi. 27 + 28 +1 starting Monday
 - vii. Total 246 +2 (Monday) = 248 +1 (future) = 249 students

- IV. New Family Picnic:
 - a. Changes? (Smaller attendance this year)
 - i. Popsicles at Open House – maybe advertise more
 - ii. Need to set the date sooner
 - iii. Advertise it more – maybe with the back to school and enrollment information
 - iv. Maybe not use DQ next year
 - 1. Can just do waters next year
 - 2. Lemonade ourselves
 - v. Plan on the Thursday after Labor Day
 - 1. Next year September 10– too late for next year
 - 2. Revisit after school calendar set
 - vi. Jessie sent out thank you's
- V. Officers:
 - a. Need volunteers for VP and Treasurer for 2019-2020
 - b. Send out in newsletter
- VI. Homecoming:
 - a. Theme Days: Connecting with the middle school but with tweaks if needed
 - b. Bus everyone to the parade – Pick up at 12:45 with parade at 1:00
 - c. Same communication to families if parents want to pick up
 - d. Pep Rally will be on Wednesday that week – students come here to lead
- VII. Book Fair:
 - a. Jill Doyle – is in all elementary schools
 - i. In Farley on Monday
 - ii. She is willing to help with the book fair
 - 1. She reached out to Follett and Scholastic
 - 2. Her opinion is to try Follett
 - b. Have about \$500 from Scholastic left – Jill will be purchasing books
 - c. Will be doing the Books for Bobcats again this year
 - d. Nancy Fett – donated \$500 to each school in the district – went to buying the Books for Bobcats in September
 - e. Activity Fund is used to purchase the remaining books and Scholastic's bonus points
 - f. Will not be doing the Victory Ford Reading logs
 - g. More important to provide access to books to the kids than keeping a log or calendar
 - h. Keep it in the Spring with conferences and go with Follett
 - i. February 25 and 27 conferences
 - ii. Talk to Jill and find out her expectations – report back in Nov.
 - iii. Next time – have teacher wish list and library wish list
- VIII. Parent Teacher Conferences
 - a. Dates: Nov. 12th and 14th
 - b. Amanda Klaas will do the SignUpGenius for foods
 - i. Get her a list of the foods
 - ii. Push it out the week of Oct. 21st
 - iii. Get pork instead of the beef – enough for 25 sandwiches each night

- iv. Do Hy-Vee because they do the Family Picnic
- v. Stephanie will order from Asbury HyVee – 5lbs for each night, decrease the number of buns

IX. Color Run

- a. Funds raised - \$12,047.68
- b. Suggestions
 - i. No blue 😊
 - ii. Have the T-shirt winner put their name on the design
 - iii. Have everyone design or just 3rd (or 4th) grade?
 - iv. Do it again next year – always have things to spend money on
 - 1. iPads – will need looked at, needing to update
 - a. Get in a cycle of updating iPads
 - 2. Graphics throughout the building
 - 3. Visuals on the front doors/windows
 - 4. Playground – new drainage and new tiling and mulch this year
 - a. Looking for equipment
 - b. Added more blacktop area this summer but maybe more
 - c. Outdoor Smart course
 - d. Other updates

X. Birthday breakfast again this year

XI. Future Meeting Dates –

- a. encourage teachers to attend
- b. childcare – the high school was able to help once, but might need to look at other options
- c. November 19 @ 6:30pm
- d. January 21 @ 6:30pm
- e. March 17 @ 6:30pm
- f. May 19 @ 6:30pm

XII. Heritage Center – K-4 going for the Fill Your Bucket performance

- a. October 23 at 12:15pm – looking at lunch options for the day

XIII. Car Drop off and Pick-up

- a. Cars don't drive through the bus lane
- b. Cars should come through the parking lot and have children cross at the crosswalk