

Bernard Elementary PTO Minutes

Tuesday, Sept 13, 2016 6:00 pm

BES School Gym

Attended: Principal, Dan Wendler, 3rd grade teacher, Ms. Rutz, 1st grade teacher, Ms. Hoeger, Charissa Vorwald, Christy Bergfeld, Diana Cook and Lori Edwards.

Treasurer's Report: Beginning Balance \$831.31

New Business:

Shirt Sales: Shirt designs are ready and attached. I will get an order form ready to send home later this week or early next. I need your opinions on which stocking hat to go with. Do we want the baseball hat or just the stocking hat?

Those present thought the striped stocking hat was the best and wondered if we could do an order for both stocking hats and baseball hats. Kristen will look into.

Homecoming: September 30

Bernard kids will be attending the parade at Cascade Elementary; PTO will pay for the bussing.

Sentsy – Charissa, can you check with April about doing this again? Before the holidays delivery would be great again. Charissa stated that she will be able to check with her contact person this weekend. We are thinking again of sending the orders home over the Thanksgiving holiday and having them due back by the 1st of December so that if they are gifts for the Christmas holiday they would arrive in time.

Family Dinner Night – Diana update

Diana spoke with Jeff at the Painted Horse, he stated that he is busy during the fall, but could do a Monday night pizza special, any large pizza for \$16-any toppings and he would give back \$2.00 for each pizza sold. Thinking we would run this from 5:30-9:00pm, people in attendance agreed on Monday October 24th would be a potential date for this event, Diana stated that she would check with Jeff.

Fall Family Movie Night – Christy update

Thinking we would try for either November 14th or the 15, Mindframe only allows rental of their theatre on Monday's and Wednesday's. Christy will contact Mindframe movie theatre to see if either of those dates is available. Trying to decide on what DVD to have the kids watch, a suggestion was for the

kids to decide. I will go through some movies that I have and will give a list to the teachers and have the kids vote. The cost to rent the theatre and bring your own DVD is \$100 for 2 hours. Last year we charged \$2.00/per person for this event, PTO covered the entire cost of the theatre rental, but the \$2.00 went towards the unlimited pop and popcorn, the cost of this is \$4.00/per person, the PTO again will pick up the other \$2.00 for people that attend.

Fall Conferences – Nov 8 – 10; Bookfair is set up with Scholastics and we can discuss the details at the October meeting.

Next October meeting we will discuss workers for the book fair and also food for the teachers.

*****We spoke about the amount of Scholastic dollars we have in our account, Diana Cook had stated that we have \$495, wondering if we should purchase books again for each of the kids like last year, also we have always given each student a \$5.00 gift certificate to use during the book fair during conferences. With only having 39 kiddos, we might be able to do both.

Teacher Requests:

Ms. Rutz requested PTO to cover costs of tickets for the 3rd grade to see Pete the Cat in February at the University of Dubuque, not sure of the exact cost for each ticket, Mr. Wendler thought \$6.00/each. Ms. Rutz will look into a grant from either the Yellow Bus or Target to get funding for the bussing costs.

Principal's Report:

Things are going good.

Para Jennifer Dillard was given more hours to help at the school.

The Cascade Jr High kids are putting on the play Cinderella and the Bernard kids will be able to attend.

There will be rewards throughout the year for the kids with the Reading Initiative Program.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, October 11, 2016 6:00 pm