

## **Kurtz PTA General Membership Meeting Minutes**

**October 12, 2016 9:30am**

**Meeting called to order at 9:30am**

### **Old Business:**

- Motion to approve budget by Kristi Stempien, and Wendy Wills seconds. No discussion. Motion carried.
- Approval of May/September minutes: Motion to approve by Kristi Stempien, and Amy Wilson seconds. Motion carried.

### **New Business:**

- Lunch Bunch- We don't have a set lunch bunch group of moms this year. If anybody is interested they are welcome to visit the lunch room. We have an open door policy at Kurtz, and parents can come into lunch at anytime.
- School store - Will be the 3rd Friday of each month. None this week because of the book fair. Jennifer Cashin didn't want to pull away from sales of the book fair with similar items.
- Purchase Reimbursement - If spending under \$200, it does not have to be voted on at the general membership meeting, but it does need to be approved by the PTA board. The board needs to know about the purchase before it happens and needs a proposal request to approve before items are purchased. If over \$200, it has to be voted on in a PTA general membership meeting. Forms are hanging in the office by the mailboxes.

### **Chisik Chat:**

- He has Instagram/Twitter accounts. Links are on the Kurtz home page.
- We got the last piece of technology for the media center - a 65-inch smart board monitor. Jamie will be able to integrate it into lessons. Thank you to parents for seeing the vision of the media center and helping us to grow.
- We are moving through our NWEA testing window. Teachers love this test because it is adaptive and ultimately drives instruction. We are using those numbers to create meaningful groups. It is given to all grade levels.
- Halloween - Ms. Kasler has planned a sing-a-long after the parade. Parade at 2:30pm. Classroom parties will need to be before the parade. All costumes need to be child-friendly.

### **Treasurer's Report:**

Budget was approved.

### **VP Report:**

Amy Wilson - We still have a few committees with open chair positions.

- Run for Fundz typically has a team and needs a few people.
- Daddy daughter dance - Shalin is willing to hand-off since she has a role in the PTA now.
- Guest readers is available.
- Friday folders - A volunteer comes in towards the end of the week and distributes info into teacher's mailboxes.
- New this year - Welcome Committee - resource for families that come in throughout the school year. Reaching out to them and helping them. Chisik sees this going hand-in-hand with room ambassadors too. The idea is to welcome new families and make connections.

**Auction update:**

- Kim Jackson - Auction will have a heavy appetizer menu and will be at Mystic Creek this year on November 12th.
- Tickets are \$25.
- We are still looking for some big ticket items.
- Once she sends out the link for the auction, you can see the items already donated.
- Please read the emails about the auction.
- It is a great way to meet people and very fun.

**Guest speakers:**

- Denise Pistana - running for one of the seats on the HVS school board. 4 seats available this year and 9 running. She has served for the last 15 years on several committees in the district.
- Shannon Loso - Director of Recreation and Community Ed discussed the programs offered by HVS Community Ed. They offer financial assistance to those that are on free and reduced lunch. If anybody has an idea for something new, please let her know. If anybody has a hobby, please let her know.

**Good of the Group:**

- Kristen Jarvis asked how committee chairs know who has signed up for the committees? Amy Wilson is creating a folder per committee with all of the people who signed up.
- Kristen also asked if there was there an interest for a Mom's prom? A mom is interested in chairing a Mom's prom. Jennifer Cashin says we are trying to limit the fundraisers. However, this mom is welcome to talk to her about it.
- Is there another spirit wear order? We are waiting on the actual proof. Teachers are getting a t-shirt from the PTA but there will be more to order.
- Is anyone doing the cocoa, cookies and crafts this year? Answer is no. We took it off the calendar again this year.
- Is there a calendar of all of the events listed? It is on Kurtz website.
- Teacher dinners for conferences are set for tomorrow and Monday.

Meeting adjourned at 10:19am.