

# **Meeting Minutes**

Tuesday, January 10, 2023 (Pending approval Feb. 7, 2023)

## Meeting called to order @6:35 PM

In attendance: Heidi Kleiss, Hanah Brit, Ellen Rund, Amy Hottman, Sara Eisenmenger, Staci Kamradt, Katy Bierman, Mari Anne Curry, Marissa Hill, Annie White, Lanee Reichert, & Jess Robbins, (online) Stephanie Grussing

**Admin Reports - Reichert -** The new sound system sounds great! Still working on water fountains - it would actually make it slower to have the bottle fillers directly next to each other, so figuring out a game plan. MLK Day is coming up, and everyone is getting back into the swing of things. Report cards went out the previous Friday.

#### Officer Reports

- President Annie White Skateland update She has been in touch with East PTO, who is on board. Looking at possible dates, maybe the Sunday before Presidents Day. In the past, individuals paid for skate rental and laser tag, and PTOs covered the entry fee. Annie will follow up about the actual cost. Annie motioned to approve spending up \$300 for the entry fee, Jess Robbins seconded and all approved. She will also check into the possibility of people bringing donations for the Rocket Packs. Restaurant Fundraiser Updates January 25 is the date for Wayside since Dec didn't work out. Mari Anne will make a flier, although patrons don't have to have it in hand, they can just mention it. We will get 20% kickback on take out and dine in, open to close. Feb 23 is the day for Monicals which corresponds with conferences. She will look into the possibility of one more restaurant fundraiser in April.
- President Elect open position
- ❖ Secretary Jess Robbins Motion to approve November minutes Motion to approve made by Lanee Reichert and seconded by Katy Bierman.; T-shirt design contest & sponsors Currently \$2,050 has been raised with \$500 more pending; some sponsors are brand new this year. There are a few "regular" sponsors she hasn't heard back from and will follow up with. Ellen Rund noted that United Prairie is also interested in sponsoring @ the \$250 level. Amy Hottman inquired about the need for sponsors Jess noted that the more we raise the less we pay out of pocket so everyone can get a shirt. Last year around ∼\$2300 was raised and the cost was over \$3,000. Jess has collaborated with Ms Hanners on the handouts and dates for the design contest; the goal is to submit everything to Underground Printing before spring Break. Krossing Korners is local, but unfortunately the order is too large and they focus on vinyl instead of screen printing, but we will keep in contact for possible smaller orders. Fun Day The deposit for KAZ Amusements has been sent. Jess has a small group of names for teachers interested in helping with the scheduling and arranging activities.
- ❖ Treasurer Coartney Siuts Motion to approve November/December Treasurer's report tabled until the Feb 7 meeting.

### **❖** Committee Reports

➤ **Apparel** - Stephanie Grussing (Jess reported) - Thank you to everyone who placed a winter order. I'm not sure of the profit yet, but we will get a check from

- Body N Sole soon. We may do one more order in the spring, but this is not yet confirmed. After this 22-23 year, she will step down from this role.
- ▶ Book Fair & book give away idea Hanah Brit Spring Book Fair is scheduled for Feb 19-25 to coincide with conferences. It's a short instructional week, so she will do her best to fit everything in. The rep noted there is no more surcharge for gas. The balance was around 6500 Scholastic Dollars, and now we have ~5400, 1500 of which needs to be set aside for giveaways, etc. Lanee will let teachers know they can still place orders with Scholastic Dollars. Hanah asked the repo for 2 cash registers this time, and the sign up to volunteer will go out in the West Weekly. She has added some slots, and is looking at the possibility of having it open a couple of hours on that Sunday, depending on Skateland. She also mentioned possibly doing fun activities on that Fri, with celebrity readers, donuts, etc, and would promote it to preschools in the area. She also mentioned the idea of a book giveaway on Fun Day so students could take a book to read for the summer. The committee agreed this was a good idea and Jess mentioned that we have at least one full box of books in storage we could use.
- > Glo-Bingo Stephanie Grussing/Amy Hottman Amy reported that Steph has arranged the venue, has worked on fliers, and set up the ticket sale on Event Bright. Tickets will go on sale on Feb 4. There will be 20 tables of 8 and 90 general admission tickets available. Anyone is welcome to join the planning committee, who meets on Tuesdays: Jan 17th, 31st, Feb 21st, and March 21st. She reported that they feel it will be easier this year since they did so much last year and aren't starting from scratch. They are putting together a community survey for how parents can get involved with Glo Bingo and are hopeful to have it ready to go out by the Jan 18 West Weekly. They would like to find an easier way to deal with coolers and drinks. Ellen Rund suggested reaching out to Dirt Poor Traveling Bar, who has the equipment for doing this sort of thing, which people can rent out. She is not sure of the cost, but will reach out to Michelle Murphy. Ellen agreed to join the planning committee, and mentioned that United Prairie has access to trucks and trailers as well. Amy asked about keeping track of payments, and Jess said she will share the sheet where she tracks all of the incoming checks for PTO.
- ➤ Silent Auction Josh & Ellen Rund Ellen has started going through the list of donors/sponsors for the auction. She asked if we would be interested in a live auction during Glo-Bingo, and it sounds like that is a possibility; we would just need to work out the logistics of it. Some of the items that we can bring back to the auction are reserved seating for concerts, perhaps reserved parking, and VIP seating for sporting events. As far as the grade-level baskets, Sarah Eisenmenger and Marissa Hill have volunteered to work on that, and suggested that a parent at each grade level be put in charge.

#### Any Other Reports/New Business

- > Janah is planning on organizing the teacher meal for conferences again.

  She will use Hickory River again, but look at more sides and may even put together cake jars. She will send out a sign up for cash donations and supplies.
- ➤ If no one is eager to keep doing **the bulletin board** in the main entry, then school will use it for something else, and we will switch to digital info, utilizing the TV system instead. Hanah Brit and Mari Anne Curry both were okay with the switch to digital and the committee agreed that would be fine.

Motion to adjourn @7:40 made by Jess Robbins and seconded by Amy Hottman.

Next Meeting: February 7 @ 6:30PM

**Note:** This is a date change approved at the Nov, 2022 meeting.