PTO Meeting April 10th, 2018

Attendees: Secretary: Dawn Marie Dean, Christopher Dean, Karen Strandt-Conroy, Julie Shreck, Alyssa Givens, Vice-President: Karissa Wendt, Amanda Klein, Vicki Neal, President: Lisa Beeman, Treasurer: Briana McCarthy, Mary Paul, Amber Bennett, Michelle Carr

Meeting was called to order by Lisa at 6:02 pm.

March's Meeting Minutes were read by Dawn Marie. The motion to approve the minutes was made by Karen and seconded by Karissa.

A two month Treasurer's Report was read by Briana. The motion to approve the report was made by Dawn Marie and seconded by Karissa.

Committee Updates

Mother/Son Event by Dawn Marie

- The event seemed to be quite successful except for some disorganization due to lack of volunteers.
 - Several students and parents took at least some time out of the event to lend a hand and, at the last minute, a couple of moms volunteered their significant others. While this meant there was no time to bring them up to speed on many behind the scenes aspects, it truly was a huge help and GREATLY appreciated!
 - The final numbers for the event's profit are not available at this time, but it is estimated that the event brought in around \$800. This unexpectedly large profit is thanks to:
 - A great deal of donations from businesses, personal donations from committee members, and the wonderful food donations made by several parents.
 - Little need for decorations since Karen Strandt-Conroy allowed the use of enough school rooms, that in most cases, the escape room was able to be planned around the type of room being used. Originally, the event was only going to be held in the gym, which would have cost a great deal of money to decorate and separate appropriately.

While the volunteer appreciation raffle did not seem to bring in more volunteers, it is still something to consider doing for future events.

Yearbook by Amber

- Order forms have been handed out. While they are written in a way to discourage cash, cash is being accepted.
- Committee members who need to will be meeting in the PES computer lab to work on the yearbook on Friday and Saturday.
- Pictures of EC students and any others whom did not have a school portrait were already taken by Karissa.

Family Dance by Amanda

- To be held on May 4th, 2018 from 6pm to 8:30pm in the PES gym and cafeteria
- * There will be a Star Wars theme, however, lightsabers and blasters will not be allowed.
- While it was suggested that this be a free event, due to unique snack/gift offerings and the cost of the DJ, the suggestion to charge \$5 per family was accepted.
- It was suggested that instead of having all of the snacks handed out throughout the event, decorative bags containing some of the snacks and glow sticks be handed out to attendees as they arrive.

Old Business

Spiritwear

- Demo items were picked up, but Creative Gear needs to be contacted to see if the design on the cooler can be improved.
- Order forms should be out by the end of next week.

Flower Basket Fundraiser by Karissa

- * Not nearly as successful as in past years, bringing in \$1354
- The fundraiser probably would have been much more successful if the company's deadline had allowed for families to place orders after Spring Break instead of forcing us to have orders collected beforehand.

New Business

Field Trip Bus Costs

A request for \$2,283.55 to cover the cost of bus transportation for the end of year field trips was made. Amber motioned to approve the amount, Karissa seconded.

Nominations for the 2018-2019 PTO Board

- By default, as principal of PES, Dr. Strandt-Conroy, is an Executive Board member. There is no vote for this position.
- * All of the following nominations were accepted
 - President: Karissa Wendt and Amber Bennett
 - Vice-President: Amber Bennett and, wishing to co-chair the position, Alyssa Givens and Michelle Carr
 - Secretary: Dawn Marie Dean
 - Treasurer: Julie Shreck
- Co-chairing positions will be discussed at the next meeting

Kindergarten T-Shirts

Request regarding funds has been postponed until the next meeting as the dollar amount of the request was unknown

Box Tops

- * Approximately 2100 Box Tops and \$31 were received for the scratch-off ticket prizes.
- Target donated \$50 toward prizes.

- * More prizes were purchased for the next Box Top scratch-off ticket event.
- The next scratch-offs will be done on May 1st.
- There will be one more round of scratch-off tickets shortly before the end of the year.

Other Business

School Supply Kits

- School supply lists are still needed.
- Last year, the school received a profit of \$2 per kit purchased. The question was raised as to whether or not the profit should be increased to \$5 per kit.
- Last year's kits ranged from \$30-\$60 each with the option to purchase additional items online only.
- Whether or not the school supply lists have been provided, word needs to be spread as soon as possible that the kits will be available.
- The question was raised as to whether or not supplies should be all name brand so that everyone knows exactly what they will be receiving in their kit. This will increase the cost per kit.
- The school does not receive a discount based on the number of kits ordered, however, the company does price-match.
- * There was a lot of positive feedback about the kits from teachers at the beginning of the year.
- A sample kit is not available through the company, however, there may be a leftover kit from the beginning of the year.
- Forms will be available at the Family Dance and at the art show.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:15pm