

PTO Meeting Minutes

February 12th, 2020

6:00pm @ Dakota 94

- 1) Call meeting to order.
- 2) Monthly Budget Report – Heather VanZant
 - a) Annual fund drive closed at \$69K. Budget is running according to plan. Goal to raise \$100K at Spring Benefit
- 3) Chairs Needed for:
 - a) Graphic Artist
 - i) Volunteer for flyers, Spring Benefit ad book, help with anything creative that could arise for fundraising activities.
 - b) Pasta Night, Thursday, April 30th
 - i) Lindsay will chair. Homemade pasta, salad and dessert will be served. All students and parents are welcome. We'll work on communication after Spring Benefit is over.
- 4) PTO 2019-2020 Events:
 - a) Bingo Night, Thursday, January 16th
 - i) Split the pot went to the 7th Grade DC fundraiser. Successful event although communication could have been better to spread the word more.
 - b) Spring Benefit (80s Prom theme) - Saturday, March 7th @ Holiday Inn - Heather VanZant
 - i) 134 Spring Benefit tickets have been sold as of 2/12 which is similar to last year. Target is 350. There are no assigned tables. Deadlines coming up for classroom baskets, teacher time, ads for personal and business. Encourage dress up in 80s theme, there will be a competition.
 - c) Walk-a-Thon Run, Friday, June 5th – Katrina
- 5) Membership ToolKit App Update - Katrina
 - a) Student/parent directory, calendar, store, volunteer opportunities, sponsors. Please push participation. You can see sponsors, pay your donations and get an emailed receipt, find other parents contact info, get PTO emails. Currently only 131 parents on the tool.
- 6) Previous Business:
 - a) President's Volunteer Service Awards - Talia Pim
 - i) March 31st ends first year of Presidents Volunteer Service Award and Talia will start a new year to achieving student goals. Group went to the Feed my Starving Children. Nicely organized and great activity. Cards for Veterans found from the Honeycomb Project. 31 kids and 5 kids will get the award for 25 hours and everyone gets a certificate and there will be an award ceremony.
 - b) Alarmist Brewery fundraising event - Robert
 - i) Thursday, May 28th 6-9pm. Create a raffle with a basket of Alarmist goodies. \$1 per pour goes to the school. "Parent's Hangout" as a name. Ice Breaker games or other ideas welcome. Add to official PTO calendar. Raffle items for the Parent Night Hang Out. Kindergarten FB page. Payments can be made by check to Friends of Sauganash Elementary or by PayPal through Membership ToolKit.
- 7) New Business:
 - i. STEM funding request. Chicago SKY WNBA has a STEM event in the Spring at the concourse and you stay for a game. STEM buddy field trip. \$13/kid = \$8500 total and Mrs. Askavich is asking for half \$4250. Wednesday, May 6th @ Wintrust DePaul Stadium. Motion approved to fund
- 8) Open Forum: 8th Grade student sent a request for PTO to pay for graduation activities @ \$25/student = \$1500 motion approved to fund
- 9) Motion to approve meeting minutes from January 8th. Motion and approved.
- 10) Next meeting March 11th @ Sauganash Elementary Zalinski Café @ 6:30pm
- 11) Adjournment