

**PTO Meeting
December 6, 2016**

Attendees

Curt Bursaw
Angie Wood
Stephanie Mischnick
Kirsty Sanderson
Laura Weaver
Rob Stinar

Meeting was called to order by President Curt Bursaw at 6.33pm.

Teacher & Parent Representation

Laura Weaver informed the PTO that the Buckhill tubing night will be January 9th.

Shelly Schmitz presented a proposal on behalf of the CVE Physical Education Department, requesting funding of \$600 to purchase glow/black light equipment that could be used for various units/events throughout the CVE school year.

Trisha Dixon and Kerry Potts represented 4th Grade. Thanked PTO for funding Guided Reading materials and requested an extra \$250 towards the 4th grade residency. A total of \$1250.

Routine Business

Last month's minutes

Motion made – seconded – and approved.

(Approved as written)

Principal's report – see attached.

Treasurer's report

- \$409 from Spirit Wear sales
- \$51.01 received from Amazon Smile
- \$300 from Panera Bread Tasty Tuesday
- \$241 from movie ticket fundraiser

Committee Reports

New Business

- Discussed continuing issues with school lunches and the lack of time for some students to eat and bag/salad lunches not being available for the last grade to eat lunch. Discussed the use of wrist bands for those ordering salad and bag lunches and the potential problems/issues with the procedure.
- Curt proposed a discretionary fund line item on the budget to allow the PTO to fund proposals that are submitted during the school and which do not meet the request cut off of September 30th.
- Curt also proposed more formal PTO procedures in order to improve consistency and continuity within the PTO
- Tabled Shelly Schmitz's funding request for the February 2017 meeting, after the Family Fun Night fundraiser has taken place.

Meeting was adjourned at 8.04pm

Principal's Report PTO Meeting December 6, 2015

Since we met last time:

- CogAT - The Cognitive Ability Tests (CogAT) started last week for second grade and fourth grade students in the Lakeville Area Public Schools. This test assesses the pattern and level of students' development in reasoning and problem solving with verbal, quantitative, and spatial symbols. The assessment is online and should conclude by Thursday, December 4.
- Student Council - Student Council had their first meeting this morning. They are planning out spirit days and service projects as well.
- Buddy Bench - We received a donation from a family to purchase and install a Buddy Bench on our playground. We will be working on creating a video for students on what the Buddy Bench is and how to use the bench. Additionally, we are discussing implementing Playground Pals that would assist when they see a student sitting on the bench to be their friend and ask them to play.

Things that are coming up:

- Chamber of Commerce Breakfast - Each year, the Chamber sponsors a breakfast at each school to recognize the staff and share how the Chamber is involved with the school district. The breakfast will be at CVE this Friday, December 9.

- Kindness Retreat - We have contracted Youth Frontiers to facilitate our Kindness Retreat with our 4th graders. One of the requests from Youth Frontiers is to try and use an off-site facility. After doing some research, we have partnered with Messiah Lutheran Church (they are one of relocation sites in the event of an emergency) to host our retreat on Friday, February 17, 2017.

- Holiday Parties - Will take place on Friday, December 23.

- Winter Break - No school for students beginning Monday, December 26 through Monday, January 2, 2017.

School resumes on Tuesday, January 3, 2017