

R. S. Payne PTO Meeting

January 3, 2019 7:00pm

In attendance: **Danielle Englund**-President, **Kellie Baldwin**-Principal, **Liz Dop**-Treasurer, **Alys Miller**-Hospitality, **Sarah Muminovic**-Secretary

Approval of December PTO Minutes:

Liz Dop motions. **Alys Miller** seconds. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carries and December minutes are approved.

President's Report-Danielle Englund

-Upcoming Events

-Teacher treat in mailboxes for Valentine's Day, February 14, 2019. Hospitality chair **Alys Miller** will design and make a treat for boxes.

-Conferences on Thursday, February 7, 2019. Hospitality will provide pizza for teachers on that evening. **Alys Miller** will oversee the execution of this.

-When would the Chocolate Sale start?

-Discussion around beginning the sale in conjunction with Dr. Seuss Day, February 28, 2019. The suggestion being that from 5:30-7:30, there would be a "Chocolate Checkout" where people will sign permission slips, be given verbal instructions on the checkout and sales process, and timelines for when things are due.

-**Danielle Englund** will chair.

Principal/Staff Report-Kellie Baldwin/Lori Smith

-**Kellie Baldwin** reports that Movement Ed instructor, **Mr. Staaby**, is back from his medical leave. Also, that a long-term sub has been hired to replace **Mr. Hill**, the music teacher, who has gone on leave to perform duties associated with his military service agreement.

Committee Reports

-Treasurer-Liz Dop

-CCCH net profit was \$1069.00.

-5th Grade GO Teacher, **Mr. Hoffman**, submitted a request for reimbursement for funds related to the cost of the Kidblog initiative. **Liz Dop** will redirect **Mr. Hoffman** to the request reimbursement for the GO Center fund as this is no longer a line item in the PTO budget.

-Spirit-**Crystal Pannell**

Principal Baldwin reports that the winners for the December Spirit Day were **Donigan, West-Hazelwood, and Smith**. There was an issue with the Google Form sent out to collect information. The old format was used in its place to be able to quickly collect data.

-Hospitality-**Alys Miller** is planning to do Valentine's for the teachers and place in mailboxes. She will also oversee pizza for teachers for Conference night on 2/7/19.

Fundraising

-Sarah Muminovic inquires about the future of the PTO and whether or not fundraising is a valid use of energy and activities. **Sarah Muminovic** is curious about the board for next year. Currently, 2 out of the 4 most active members of the PTO are graduating 5th graders and will not have other children coming through RS Payne. 1 of the 4 will not know whether they will be returning to the school for 2019-2020. Without volunteers committed to take on the executive committee member roles of treasurer and secretary, at minimum, then the future of the PTO is not guaranteed. Discussion around the possibility and likelihood of maintaining or dissolving the PTO for the upcoming year resulted in a two part strategy. The first part would be that treasurer, **Liz Dop**, would consult her files for information regarding the procedure to dissolve the PTO according to the Bylaws. The second part would be that the President, **Danielle Englund**, would send a letter home communicating the PTO's challenges and the uncertainty of the upcoming year. The letter would solicit any interested volunteers to come to the next PTO meeting to get more information and to express interest in the possibility of taking on a PTO position.

-Danielle Englund wonders if what the PTO contributes is of real value and asks **Principal Baldwin** her thoughts around the possibility of dissolving the PTO. **Principal Baldwin** understands the challenges that face the PTO in the current volunteer climate and is supportive of the PTO's mission and decision.

-Chocolate Sale- Tabled until letters regarding filling board positions for the upcoming 2019-2020 school year have been sent and returned.

-Restaurant Nights-**Sarah Muminovic**

Funquest-Flyers home on February 4th. Tickets go home February 11. Event is February 15, 2019, from 4p-8p

-Box Tops-**Crystal Pannell**

-**Crystal Pannell** is currently following up on Box Tops; collecting them and sorting them. **Danielle Englund** will follow up on the status of Box Tops.

Old Business-None.

New Business-

Based on the discussion around possible PTO future, further discussion around fundraising efforts are tabled. A letter inquiring about PTO interest will be sent out to gauge interest. **Liz Dop** will look into the bylaws for guidance on the procedures for disbanding the PTO.

Our next meeting will be held on February 7, 2019 at 7 pm.