



Meeting Minutes

Nitrauer PTO

Date: Tuesday, 9/18/18

Location: Nitrauer Elementary (Teacher's lounge/Faculty room)

Meeting Called To Order By: President, Maggie Foley

Time: 7-9 pm



Attendance: Number of attendees - 15

Listed in order of signature: Maggie Foley, Diana Hanna, Angela Salabsky, Christina Lott, Jessica Whitley, Laura Cornelius, Rafael Rosario, Missy Weaver, Jennie Burke, Jenine Nicholas, Alex Massie, Alissa Bergstresser, Kelly Fogleman, Anne Marie Swinehart, Tess Wallace

Minutes: Minutes of 09/18/2018



Officers' Reports

President: Maggie Foley

Vice President: Angela Salabsky

Treasurer: Christina Lott

Treasurer's report read and distributed during meeting.

Principal: Dr. Wendy Hancock



Committee Reports

Security Coordinator: Betty Overly (not present)

Dates TBD.

May email Katie Schock: schock.katie@gmail.com with further questions

Principal: Dr. Hancock

District-wide: morning meetings are conducted.

Approx. 9:05-9:25 am daily, classes meet in circle time with teachers.

IPADs - 1:1; screentime is limited during school hours. Used as another tool/supplement for student learning.

The District now pays for students' technology (IPADs) and playgrounds. These big-ticket expenses no longer are the responsibility of individual schools and PTO as in years past.

PTO is not-for-profit organization and works autonomous from the District. District is not accountable for our budget. Group discussion led to not-for-profit organizations to budget approx. 1-1.5 years worth of funds in the bank for expenses (field trips, etc.). Ideas on ways to spend any excess funds included giving to the Samaritan Fund (where families who don't want free/reduced lunches but are in the red financially) as well as a community service gift.

SLAC (Superintendent Lay Advisory Council) Report: Jenine Nichols

Middle School construction in progress - doors open in 2021-2022

Safety initiatives (upgrades, increase use of swipe cards) and communication plans/outreach discussed. Dr. Felty (Superintendent) meets with students bimonthly to discuss concerns. Alice Training book was read to children district-wide. (2) Intruder Drills done yearly. New District Initiative: HeadStart (government-funded) pending.

SLAC - (5) meetings total for school year - meet every other month

Spiritwear: Alex Massie

Cornerstone Business Graphics (Lebanon County) - previously did business with them.

Color options: Blue, Navy Blue, Grey, tie-dye

Proposed shipdate: 12/7

Will finalize details after talking to vendor and update PTO at next meeting

Old Business

Friendly's Night: (2) teacher volunteers and a +1 for each = (4) giftcards paid by PTO

Motion Passed.

The wait may be long to be seated. Friendly tip: Giving your child healthy snacks (apple slices, etc.) beforehand is helpful or bring along.

"Member at Large" executive board position (to assist officers, etc) filled. Thanks to Jessica Whitley, whom also handles our Web master and Eblasts.

New Business

Per Dr. Hancock: Donates \$3-4,000 to our school library each year.

1. Requests PTO donation toward funding additional library books. PTO motions yes. The librarian and Mrs. D (book exchange) help to pick out the books purchased for school library.
2. Motions for purchase of additional color printer and cartridges from PTO funds, due to high-cost and teacher's requests/needs. Teachers utilize printer for station signs, children's schedule, posters for class, anchor charts, etc. (4) cartridge color requests - \$100 per cartridge; 3-\$3-400 for add'l printer.

Next meeting will vote yes/no to the following:

School will keep old color printer and PTO will purchase new printer and cartridges.

Maggie motions for a chair/committee (comprised of 3-4 parents) for Teacher Appreciation staff luncheons, breakfasts, giftcard drawings and so on.

In discussion, someone suggested recognizing announcements for teachers' birthdays, marriages, etc. to increase morale and support.

Announcements

Next meeting is 10/16/2018 at 1900 (Nitrauer Elementary, Teacher's Lounge).

Student Directory: 262/473 students completed thus far per Jessica Whitley.

Fall Fest: Friday, 10/26/18 5-7 pm (Kim Romano - volunteer chair) Bake Sale, Parade, Fire Dept, etc. to be involved with this event.

Race for Education: 1400 mailers sent out.

Per Kelly Fogleman, signup Genius to be available for volunteers - No clearances necessary at this event

Custodians' Appreciation Day: 10/2 --- give giftcards (Dunkin Donuts, The Coffee Station, etc.)

Pottery Painting: 12/1 (Saturday)

PTO Message: We support all our children and families. Thanks to events like the Race for Education we can fund family events (rollerskating, fall fests) and projects. We are dedicated to fiscal responsibility and demonstrated transparency in the decisions voted upon, for the betterment of our school community.

Meeting Adjourned At: 09/18/18 - approx. 2100

Minutes Compiled By: Tess Wallace, Secretary