

Miller Elementary PTO Minutes

Date: Monday May 14th, 2018

Meeting came to order at 4:00 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

-Treasurer's Report:

- Spirit Wear- \$60 raised in May so far.
- Teacher Appreciation Week- \$15 Target Gift Cards to each Teacher with a Thank You card, \$523.

-Playground Restoration Project:

- Phase 1 of Playground has been completed and is installed!!! Smaller equipment is in place on the west side of the Playground for the younger students and larger playscapes for the older students were placed on the east end of the Playground.
- Phase 2 Donations are still being accepted at this time. Timeline for Phase 2 is pending a review of the new playground by the Huron School Board. New equipment can easily be added on to the current playscapes with lots of room to grow.
- New Swings still to come- Joe Nickel to order them and install soon.
- Playground Donation Recognition-

-Large sign will be designed and ordered to recognize top donators: MillerFamilies/Teachers/PTO Radabaugh Financial Services, Engage IT, J. Riechert, and Huron School District.

-Large Bricks: Chapp Oil, Douglas Electric Co., Metro Airport Trucking.

-Small Bricks: Various Miller Families who have donated. Brick orders are being placed this Week- \$150 for a small brick (4x4 in) and \$500 for a large brick (8x8 in.) Anyone still wanting to order a brick should contact Meghan McPherson directly at 832-524-0310 asap.

-5th Grade Graduation:

- June 12th 8:40-9:30 am - 5th Grade Student Breakfast in the Miller Elementary Cafeteria. Breakfast will be provided by Huron Food Services courtesy of Miller PTO.
- June 14th 1:30 pm- 5th Grade Promotion Ceremony in the Miller Elementary Auditorium. Helium filled red and black balloons and "2018" Millar balloons will be requested from the High School and Shawn Marentette to deliver the day of. Selena Erickson and Meghan McPherson to pick up, deliver, and serve the cake.
- Assembling of Student Posters has begun. Pictures for the Memory DVD are due back by May 18th. Ashley McDowell is organizing.

-Field Day:

- Tuesday June 5th, morning for Grades 3-5 and afternoon for grades K-2. Teacher and School Staff is being requested for help running games in the morning. PTO members and 5th Grade students will run games in the afternoon. A hot lunch of hot dog, chips, fruit, juice, and water will be provided that day to every student by Huron Food Services, compliments of Miller PTO. A popsicle will also be given to all participants while outside.

- Award System Ideas- Stamps, Ribbons, stickers cards, trophies, other. Who should get an award? Top 3 finishers in each class/event or everyone for merely participating? A trophy for each grade to pass to the winning class of Tug-of-War each year would be fun. Selena Erickson to research award item costs and different options.
- Shawn Marentette made a motion to change the layout of the event this year. Motion second by Erin Skamiera. Each class could compete against other classes in their grade only in 6 different athletic-style events. Quarter finals taking the top 3 finishers in each class to compete in the Finals against the other top finishers in their grade to award the 1st, 2nd, & 3rd place students in each event. 1 winning class for each grade for Tug-of-War wins a Trophy to keep in that classroom for the entire year. Trophy then will be passed on to the next winning class at next year's field day. Field time approximately 45-60 minutes.
- A motion was made by Holly Bank and second by Selena Erickson that Field Day be run similar to last year with a large variety of different non-traditional carnival-style games including sack race, egg-race, giant ring toss, balloon toss, and shoe kick. Multiple grades on the field together with students free to compete in any even they desire at any time. An inflatable obstacle course onsite with field time being approximately 2.5 hours. Students receive a popsicle for their participation.
- Heavy discussion for pros and cons of each system and combinations of both. Raeann Ramsby to contact the Teachers for their participation level and availability. Meeting to be set up with Mr. Lannon for his thoughts as well, Field Day is a Gym class school event, not a PTO event. PTO is willing to assist in any way they are needed.

-Book Fair:

- Dates have been shifted due to Library availability. This week May 15th only, then next week May 21-24th with **Family Night to be held on Tuesday May 22nd from 2:00-6:00 pm.*** This is a correction from last month's meeting minutes. Volunteers are needed for morning and afternoon shifts to help students shop. Shifts are as follows: Mon. 9:30-10:00 & 2:00-3:00, Tues. 9:00-9:30 & 2:00-6:00, Wed. 9:30-10:00 & 2:30-3:00. Please contact Holly Bank to sign up.

-Other Topics:

- The Detroit Pistons donated an autographed basketball this year. Ideas for its use are under discussion. Possibilities are to raffle it off during the Fun Run next Fall, similar to the way the Apple Fest quilt fundraiser from years back was done. Other ideas are to hold Raffles during Trunk-or-Treat 2018, combined with a 50/50 raffle. Where should the raised funds go? This discussion remains open.
- Spirit Wear Supplier/Distributor change. Three other companies have been researched and quotes received. One is most affordable with a wider variety of products than currently accessible, with an added convenience of a website for shopping, ordering, and direct shipping. We still own prints with our current supplier. Selena Erickson to find out how many, if prints are transferable to the new supplier, or if we need to buy prints back. This discussion remains open pending more information and a majority vote at next month's meeting.

-PTO Election 2018/2019 School Year:

- Nominations were accepted this month and positions were as follows:
President- Raeann Ramsby Vice President- Shawn Marentette
Treasurer- Holly Bank Co-Treasurer- Meghan McPherson
Secretary- Selena Erickson
- All nominations were carried by a unanimous vote for positions stated above for the 2018/2019 school year.

Next PTO Meeting to be held on Monday June 4th at 4:00 in the Miller Elementary Library.
Meeting was adjourned at 5:15 pm.

Attendance:

President- Raeann Ramsby
Vice President- Shawn Marentette
Treasurer- Holly Bank
Co-Treasurer- Meghan McPherson
Secretary- Selena Erickson
Amy Hinks
Carrie Spencer
Amy Arnette
Erin Skamiera