

PTO / Community Council Minutes

September 16, 2021

Members Attending: Kyla Topham, Liz Valle, Shawn McKay, Lizz Totten, Edyth Lang, Norma Gubler, Jodi Lewis, and Chris Snodgrass.

1. **Amazon Smile Update:** The PTO has earned about \$70 so far. It is tricky to use. Call Lizz or Kyla if you have any questions. Kyla will also look into how to earn money from PayPal.
2. **Reflection of PIE Night: Bike Drawing:** We heard a lot of positive responses from the parents. They liked that it was informal and informative. Parents questions were answered. A BLOOMZ message was sent out asking parents to take a survey.

We drew the tickets for the BIKE Raffle. We were excited for the winners. Thanks to the Zion Canyon Campground and RV Park donating four bikes, the PTO earned \$260.

3. **PTO Insurance Renewal:** It was decided that because we are no longer partnering with the Snow Cone Business, the \$400 fee would not be renewed.
4. **Safety Fair:** Kyla will check with the Springdale Police Department.
5. **2021-22 PTO/Community Council Members (Volunteers):** Everyone felt that the current parent members will stay involved in the Community Council and events of the PTO. Thank you for all of your efforts in behalf of our students.
6. **Christmas Gifts & Santa:** Because of the positive response from last year, Santa was asked to return to our school to meet with our students one on one. We are shooting for Dec. 21st. The PTO will serve cookies and hot chocolate again. It was suggested that for this year's gift, pillows with a pocket to insert books would be made. Jodi will sew the pillows and has donated all the material. The PTO will purchase the pillows for around \$250. A group of ladies in Springdale is purchasing books that the children will select.
7. **Music Programs:** Lyndy Butler is working on Halloween Songs to perform at the Halloween Carnival, a Christmas Program to be presented at the Springdale Church, an Arbor Day Talent Show, and an End of Year Program at the Community Center. Dates will be set soon.
8. **Halloween:** Because of COVID, the Rockville Community Center is not available to use this year. But they are willing to let the PTO use the outside area at no cost. There is an outlet in the pavilion, grassy area for the games, and even a stage to perform or announce from. Tacos will be prepared by Liz Valle and her husband. She will also find someone to prepare tamales. It will be held Saturday, October 30th from 3:30 till 5:30 to ensure warm temperatures. Keep your fingers crossed that it doesn't rain.
9. **MRA Survey:** A survey about the climate of our school was sent out at the beginning of school to gather information. That information will help the school focus on specific needs. Another survey will be sent out at the end of the year to see if we met our goals.

10. **THE SWEET AND SPICY JAZZTET:** In our area the week of Oct. 25th. Are we interested in spending \$175? The PTO responded that whatever the staff felt would be beneficial, they would support. Thank you again.

Using jazz, funk, rock, and everything in between, the Jazztet demonstrates how music can be a vessel for spontaneous creation and how anyone of any age can do it. How do you write a song? What does it take to create music? It can't possibly be done without any preparation or planning, can it...? The group answers these questions through live performance and student involvement by an amusing and professional quartet of four musicians. Students, faculty, and staff will enjoy an immersive program which demonstrates our ideals: the importance and joy of creative and artistic expression.

11. **Other:** The Foundation of WCSD has asked each school to assemble a gift basket to help generate funds to be able to offer more classroom grants. Last year, our school received \$3,000 in grants. To support their efforts, I asked for people to donate items around the theme of Zion National Park. To date, we have gifts from the rock shop and a one night's stay at the Bumbleberry Inn. The basket needs to be ready by Monday.

Motion to Dismiss: Kyla made a motion to dismiss this meeting and Shawn seconded the motion.

Next Meeting: Thursday, October 14th at 3:45.