

Amanda H North PTO Board Meeting

OCTOBER 14, 2024 / 9:00 AM / PTO Office

BOARD MEMBERS

Nicole Keswani - PRESIDENT
Shannon Strauss - FIRST VP
Bethany Vriesman - VP MARKETING
Danielle Freeman - VP EVENTS
Jessica Sandoval - VP VOLUNTEERS
Mallory Darcy - VP STAFF SUPPORT
Jocelyn DiRienzo - MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY
Amy Martin - RECORDING SECRETARY
Megan Hartsfield - TREASURER

COORDINATORS

Tara Tsagouris - SPIRIT NIGHTS
Amy Lewis - SCHOOL SUPPLY KITS
Adine Howard - SENSORY
Susan Lam - ROOM PARENTS
Jacob Court - WEBMASTER
Jacob Court - SPIRIT WEAR
Tamara Gilbert - BEAUTIFICATION
Crystal Michalak - GREEN TEAM
Jaede Olrich - STUDENT APPRECIATION
Jenny Antolik - STUDENT APPRECIATION

MINUTES

Meeting is called to order at 9:02 by President Nicole Keswani. Board members present are Nicole, Shannon, Bethany, Jessica, Mallory, Jocelyn, Amy and Megan. Mrs. Iggy is the teacher representative and both Principal Justus and VP Johnson are in attendance.

PRESIDENTS REPORT - Nicole Keswani

Nicole spoke about a concern brought up by a parent that invest shirts are field trip shirts. We talked about giving students that were on the free and reduced lunch the invest shirts. Amy motions, Jocelyn seconded, and all were in favor of ordering the 38 additional shirts. This will cost about \$300.

We also need to approve the use of Square each year according to the district. Nicole motioned that we use Square again this year, Susan Lam seconded, and all approved.

Social media reminder - all information needs to be accurate. Please run these posts through Nicole or Jacob before posting. All posts reflect on the PTO.

Several grant applications have come in this month. Several of these are from teachers that have already been approved in previous months, and it was suggested that we hold off on approving these right now until we feel all grades have had the chance to apply. We are already half way through our budget and want to make sure that all grade levels have had the opportunity to submit. We approved an air purifier in Kindergarten (the specifications on this purifier will have to go through the district for approval, so Principal Justus has agreed to help with this), P.E. requested flag football equipment for the entire school, the math coach requested several items that will help all students, the literacy coach also submitted an application for a program to help students prepare for TCAP. On the other requests we are holding off to



make sure everyone has had a chance to submit an application and Nicole will remind all teachers. Jocelyn motions to approve the approved \$1,300 in requests, and then purchase the rest if no other new ones come in. Megan seconds, and all approve.

Hot Cocoa and Cookies with Santa is December 18th 6:00-7:30. The chorus will also sing that night, and the book fair will also be going on that evening. Pixie Party will bring a backdrop and we will have some coloring pages. The cost will be about \$200 for Santa plus the costs for cookies and milk/cocoa. We discussed if this will be a free event or if we will need to charge. A final decision on this was tabled and we will revisit a possible charge at the next meeting.

TREASURER'S REPORT - Megan Hartsfield

The treasurer's report was presented by Megan Hartsfield including review of cash flow, budget, and assets for the September financials. The PTO account is at Regions Bank; the account number is on file. Bank accounts and statements were presented and reviewed by the board. Motion made by Amy to approve financial statement; seconded by Jocelyn; all in favor. Accounts will remain on file with the Treasurer.

MOVIE NIGHT - Danielle Freeman

Danielle is unable to attend due to no coverage at work. Nicole announced that movie night is this Friday, October 18th. The movie is Despicable Me 4, which we still need to buy before Friday. Volunteers need to be there at 5:00 to help bag popcorn. Movie night is from 6:00-8:00. We will sell waters and hand out free popcorn.

TEACHER APPRECIATION - Mallory Darcy

Mallory announced that the tailgate theme for September went well! Plenty of food and volunteers. The October teacher appreciation lunch will be PTO sponsored this month and utilize the Martin's BBQ trade..

SPIRIT NIGHTS - Tara Tsagouris

Andy's pledged \$209 from our spirit night. This was the first time we had done two in a month, and with BoomBozz at \$252 that brought us in almost \$500 for the month. Nashville Sounds was \$260 from the end of August. The next one coming up is Texas Roadhouse on November 12th. Jocelyn will get the flier to Tara. December 10th at Marco's is the last one this semester.

MISCELLANEOUS - Nicole Keswani

Jocelyn - 1st music program is coming up this month on October 23rd. Doors open at 6:00, and we will open the front doors to Gold Invest at 5:50 p.m.

Jessica - recess coverage on November 1st. We will need one PTO board member at a minimum at each recess.

Jocelyn - There is a possibility that we could do another Indy Spirit Night at Indy's last football game against Summit on November 1st. Jocelyn is following up with Indy.

Principal Justus - They are ready to start booking their professional development. She requested that we release the PTO funds to the school so that they can start booking hotels, rental car, etc. We have budgeted \$7,500 for this and Megan will work on the donation letter to the school with that check. Nicole - November 2nd is the next beautification day.



Nicole - P.E. has requested a portable Gaga Ball Pit which is about \$3,900 plus shipping, so around \$4,500 total. She tabled approving this yet and will follow up to discuss further with the P.E. department.

The meeting was called to a close at 9:42 by Nicole. Jocelyn seconded, all approved.