**January PTO Minutes**

**Zoom Meeting 1/20/21**

**Call to Order:** 6:02 PM

**Pledge:** 6:02 PM

**Treasurer’s Report:** **Saving:** $1,001.46, **Checking:** $6,070.29, 6th **Grade funds:** $387.34

**Breakdown of Spendings:** Santa’s workshop we approved $1,000 and we spent $834 of that. We deposited $773. We approved $150 on the coffee and donuts on the staff and spent $ for 95.73. We approved $50 for cupcakes and we spend $30 of that. WE approved $100 for the Turkey disguise and we spent $67.15. We approved $1,000 for the Christmas stockings and gifts and we spent $440.55.

**Picnic tables for the schools**: This was presented to the board and they had concerns about this idea. They were concerned about the storage of these tables as we have no place to store these. There was also a safety concern about the umbrellas flying away and possible hitting someone or something from the wind.

In place of the picnic tables, Mrs. Ellis had suggested an alternative and possibly looking into and outdoor classroom where you didn’t have to store anything. Something that is permanent like digging a hole in the ground and bringing in boulders and some seating with rocks and bricks. This would have to entail getting volunteers to help and donations as well.

**Winter Field Day:** It has been agreed that this will be put on the back burner for now when it is not Covid season. This is not a great year to do this. We are going to pass on bringing as many people together.

**Oak Mountain Tubing** – There were very hesitant to open up for groups. They have no group rates as they are limited capacity. You have to buy the tickets on line and not in person and they have to be purchased separately. The price of one ticket is $90 for 15 mins.

There was a suggestion of doing a high rollers trip. If there is a certain amount of people then we would do a sign up for 1st come first serve or see if they can do one group and then another group right after depending on how many people sign up. This was being called on to see what the rates are and the restrictions are.

**Virtual Field Trips:** Raptor Presentation – all teachers would have to pick a time to do it all together as it is prerecorded. This is a no cost event and they had a grant from Stewarts. If this was something that was done then the PRT would schedule and pay for her to come in the spring in person.

**MiSci** – each student would be sent their own science kit and they would do a virtual showing on how to put the kit together. (cost of this is $160) – Classes would be grouped and they would all build something.

**Masked Reader:** The reader puts a mask on to disguise themselves and would record themselves reading a book to present to the students to guess who the reader is.

We will also be reaching out to the teachers to see what suggestions they have. We could promote these and put them on the schools facebook.

There was a motion to spend $1,000 on any virtual field trips: Holly Wachowicz motioned and Shaelah Dame seconded that motion.

Mrs. Ellis had stated that these opportunities are all great for the kids being educational and fun.

**Valentine’s Day:** The PTO was going to buy lip balm and cases to hold the lip balm in for the students. The PTO is also going to buy chocolates with a sign for the teachers.

Holly Wachowicz motioned to spend $150 on these things for Valentine’s Day and Shaelah Dame had second this motion.

**Gertrude Hawk Fundraiser:** Shaelah was going to email and get the information for this to get the ball rolling.

**Eagle Gear:** We are having each class vote on an eagle for the mascot. This will be picked out by Friday 1/23. After this is chosen then there will be a decision on what gear to order and get this fundraiser going as well. Ideas on the gear that was brought up was Gilden short sleeve, long sleeve, lightweight hooded sweatshirt, sweat pants w/out the elastic on the bottom, baseball hat, winter hat, dry fit long sleeve, polo shirt, mugs, and masks.

**Staff appreciation week:** May 3rd – The PTO was thinking and looking into get a coffee Keurig and a tea Keurig with K Cups to go with them for the break room. These were being priced out.

The PTO also had suggested that we have the students hand paint rocks and making a stepping stone out of them for each class and put them into the landscaping that is already there at the school.

**BBQ Chicken Fundraiser:** We are going to be starting on this as well. We are going to start making the flyers and tickets. These tickets will be pre sale only. We are going to start promoting this and get a head start on this. The PTO is looking into getting a Ring doorbell donated as a raffle. Mrs. Ellis suggested on reaching out to Mr. & Mrs. Moore on how to make tickets. We are going to be pushing and selling as much as we can.

The PTO will be sending a flyer home to families to get a tally on how many tickets for each and once that tally is obtained with the money then the tickets will be sent home.

The PTO will be promoting this by sending out flyers and we will also be putting this on the Sacandagua Lake Life.

**Yearbook:** This was discussed on starting to plan this soon and setting up a committee to work on it.

**Superintendant/Staff:** Mrs. Ellis was sending hers and everyone appreciation for all that PTO has done and will be doing. She also was sending thanks for the Christmas that was given to the school from the PTO and the community.

**Next meeting:** February 10th, March 17th, and April 21st.

**Meeting Adjourned:** 6:57

**Attendees:** Hally Wachowicz, Shaelah Dame, Mrs. Ellis, and Stephanie Shults