

PTO Meeting

April 6, 2016

Calvin Coolidge Elementary School

Introductions Kelly Finneran, Rachel Reeve, Jyotsna Sinha, Amy Kwok, Katie Evans, Amanda Tanaka, Blake Jarvi, Christine Maloney, Jenn Luke, Rebeca Buelna

Approval of Previous Meeting's Minutes

- Christine Maloney approved, Amanda seconded the minutes

Treasurer's Report

- Allocation Requests
 - Kindergarten Vegetable Garden, Diana Karas: The project will cost around \$200 (rounding up). Boards \$42, soil \$100, soil tests \$36
 - Approved the funds: Sam Gardner approved, Amy seconded
 - Collected \$400
 - Yankee Candle \$1535 – does not reflect the profit of online orders, so will be over \$2000
 - Man of your Life - \$690

Square One art received \$115 and made \$1028 in total

- Approval of Treasurer's Report
 - Blake approved the Treasurers report and Sam seconded

Principal's Report

- We watched a movie and spoke about engaging the children and inspiring them.
- Spoke about how can things be different in the classroom

Teacher's Report

- Visit by Heidi Stemple in 3rd and 4th grade was wonderful. She talked about what inspired her
- Want her to come back in the future because she was great with the kids. She allowed people to ask questions that she was not able to answer

President's Report

- Raffle Permit is renewed, expires March 6, 2017

Enrichment Committee Report

Upcoming Enrichment activities	Starting budget	\$ 7,652.00						
# Activity	Contact	Price	Grade				Confirmed date	
5 Author visit (April Prince)	April Prince	\$ 200.00		2				3/17/2016
6 Author visit (Heidi Stemple)	Heidi Stemple	\$1,025			3	4		3/18/2016
7 STEM Beginnings (Butterfly lifecycle)	Barbara Jorda	\$ 720.00	K					3/25, 4/1, 4/6
8 Historical Woman (Helen Keller)	Sheryl Faye	\$750.00		1	2	3	4	4/8/2016
9 Rosalita's Puppets	Charlotte Dore	\$335.00	K	1				4/11/2016
10 Boston Museum Program (Electromagnetism)	-	\$ 530.00				4		4/15/2016
11 Author visit (April Prince)	April Prince	\$ 300.00	K					5/9/2016
12 Acton Discovery Museum (Matter)	-	\$840.00		2				5/11/2016
13 Artemas Ward	Marcia Smith	\$ 250.00				3		5/18/2016
14 Beekeeper	Barbara McPhee	\$ 390.00		1				May?
15 Broadmeadow Brook (Audobon Society)	Cheryl Mongeon	\$373.50		1				June?

- STEM was just here and Barbara was fantastic. She will be on the list for the future
- Sheryl Fay is going to present Helen Keller this week.
- Organized a puppet show and they will do a space show for Kindergarten and 1st grade
- Boston Museum program will be here next week
- Acton Discovery and Artemas Ward will come in May

- Budget is doing well this year because we had programs we did not have in the past

Committee Reports

- **Yankee Candle: Rachel Reeve**, products available for pickup: 4/8 (Spring Fling)
- **Spring Fling: Blake Jarvi & Jan Lineman**, Ice cream social, bingo, and raffles, 4/8
 - Both times are sold out
 - Going to have a t-shirt and Cardinal tables at the Spring Fling. Cardinals will be \$10 and t-shirts will be \$5
- **Easter Bunny Breakfast: Jenn Luke**, The Easter Bunny breakfast was a huge success. Texas roadhouse is donating to Coolidge \$700 from the profits they made at the breakfast. Additionally we raised \$350 in the raffle. That brings the total to \$1050
- **Teacher Appreciation Luncheon: Katie Evans**, scheduled for Wednesday, May 25th
 - Katie will send out sign ups soon/started a flyer
 - She will put a notice in the backpacks
 - \$250 is budgeted for that, for decorations and pizza
 - About 50 staff in the building for that
- **Think of more community events for next year**
 - Would people like to organize movie nights next year or another program for the kids
 - More family events – board game night
 - Dine out nights
 - How can we get more volunteers to help out with the PTO and various programs

Election for 2016–17 PTO Board

- Nominations
 - Jenn Luke --president
 - Amanda Tanaka --co-vice pres
 - Rebeca Buelna --co-vice pres
 - Christine Maloney --co-treasurer
 - Katie Evans --co-treasurer
 - Kristie Biando --secretary newsflash
 - Rachel Reeve--secretary minutes/blog
 - All positions were voted on and approved

New Ideas

- Buddy Bench – where a child who feels left out can sit on the bench and someone will come and ask child to play
- Can this be set up over the spring and summer so it is up and running at the beginning of the next school year
- The buddybench.org is a great resource to figure out the protocol

Next Meeting: May 25th (final meeting)

- New Board will be presented at the final meeting and then will take over next school year