

Cody Elementary PTA
Meeting Minutes
March 8, 2016

(1) Welcome - Mindy Alsheikha, President
Attending: Katie Resig, Melinda Alsheikha, Ashley Dohrn, Lia O'Malley, Wil Hanson, Caroline Everitt, Jenel Nels, Kim Radcliff, Jodi Yeggy, Michelle Mahrt, Joe Nels, Jen Dumas, Kari Beth Hamilton

(2) Approval of minutes -
Motion to accept made by Wil Hanson, Second by Caroline Everitt
All in Favor, None opposed

(3) Treasurer's Report - Katie Resig, Treasurer

Deere - dollars for doers was approved with payment made to Cody - Katie has yet to receive - Jenel would like her \$1000 earned marked for Fall Frolic raffle and prizes. Joe Nels would like his \$1000 earned marked for STEM project for 5th and 6th grade program - details will follow

Pool party - possibly add line item of \$200 to allot for amount paid to pool

Varitey show - note profit lower than earned amount last year, with only 2 years of program are awaiting for more years to average amount. Will continue to utilize \$400 for the 2016-2017 year

Please notify PTA Board if budget adjustment is needed for next year

Expenses: JA bowl-a-thon donation made, few library books purchased

Final balance: \$25,569.13

(4) Committee Reports -

(A) Birthday Book - Jess Gisi – no report

(B) Book Fair - Michelle Mahrt – very successful

Spring sale > \$4000 and about \$2100 in scholastic dollars with \$800-\$900 left to donate to 5th and 6 grade after teachers wish lists and other teacher requests.

Have \$1800 in reserve with an ~ \$600 bonus sent from Scholastic this fair

(C) Box Tops - Jess Gisi/Amber Duncan – no report

(D) Cody Apparel - Jen Dumas – update from Ad Craft - sold \$800-\$900. Needed to sell > \$1000 for PTA to generate any profit, so no profit gained from apparel sale

(E) Cody Calypso - Stacy Porter - no report

(F) Cody Cares - Jenel Nels - operated as requested

(G) Cody Directory - Chris Cournoyer - no report

(H) Communications/Website/Publicity - no report

(I) Fall Frolic - Jenel Nels – set for 9/23. 9/2 will be skit and kick off for kids. Will try to get raffle tickets out for sale prior to Labor Day weekend. Potentially attempt to get consents for raffle and ideas and funds for classroom projects at back-to-school night. Discussion was had around putting together a letter allotting payments from families to “be left alone” or opt out future requests for specific donations. Concern over people then not volunteer as they feel they have already donated both their money and no need to donate their time. Idea to have box in EACH classroom for donation for class project for Fall Frolic and would take some pressure off room parents to collect money. Will put this out at both back to school night and curriculum night. Would like feedback to parents with amount collects and when goal is achieved.

Theme: Cody Con - will try to get local mascots for an autograph booth.

Are offering cinch sacks to collect candy and prizes in addition to t-shirts.

(J) Fun Events - Kim Radcliff –

Bingo - very fun and successful. Made ~ \$800, not all expenses turned in yet.

Variety show - have 47 acts singed up so far and will likely have to turn away any others that trickle in. Concern is for length of program - add intermission? decrease time allotment? limit kids to one act?

Have 11 MCs signed up

4/29 is show

4/27 is dress rehearsal

4/4 is act review - volunteers view specific groupings with tips for improvement, music is collected at this time as well, acts are timed for limit

Need to ensure that kids are not sitting on floor in front of stage and getting into prop storage area and getting in they way of microphone transfers etc. Possibly add tables on sides to act a barrier.

Coordination or concession rates suggested by Kim - as prices have varied between events. Dave and Holly’s has donated 100 cups and committed to do that going forward. Possibly rent cotton candy machine and set up out of gym door

Pool party set for 6/4

(K) Hostess/Hospitality - Mindy Alsheikha – Mornings with mom is now 5/13 7:45

(L) Reflections – no report

(M) Robotics – Chris Cournoyer - report given by Joe Nels - Hour of Code was a good experience. Plan to continue into future. Possibly use Hour of Code as requirement for Raspberry Pi class.

Working on getting Lego League reignited at Jr High.

(N) Room Parent Coordinator - Keri Walter – no report

(O) School Kits – no report

(P) Staff Appreciation – went well. Gratitude expressed by Mil Hofman. Last year for Mil and new coordinator needed. Four events over course of year to coordinate.

(Q) Volunteer Coordination – no report

(R) Walk-a-thon - Chris is stepping down after this, her 10th, year! Are we working toward chrome books? Soccer nets?
May 20th is set date
Path may have to be altered d/t construction.
Theme - Laps for laptops!

Motion made by Jenel Nels to earmark walk-a-thon money toward chrome books then supplement with PTA fund to purchase as needed.
Seconded by Kim Radcliff
All in favor, none opposed

(5) Rocket - update by Teri Adams
National puppy day event and assembly
Teri would like to work toward educating on Lyme disease and educated kids on difference between a service dog and therapy dog

(6) Science camp funding considerations - 6th grade camp is overnight in Maquoketa and science teachers. Funding is set by district with donation requested by district. Would like to put on ala cart list on registration form science list as line item list.

(7) Math team t-shirt funding - requested by Mr Graffenburg \$20 for 6
Motion made by Caroline Everitt, Seconded by Wil Hanson
All in favor, none opposed

(8) File cabinet request by Mrs. Adams purchased.

(9) District golf outing consider joining or donating - help to fund scholarship for EVERY graduation PV student - 4/25 is date - PTA is donating \$500 to this event as was budgeted last year.

Motion to adjourn made by Jenel Nels and seconded by Mindy Alsheikha

Upcoming dates
March 12-20 spring break
3/25 No school
4/6 Early out
4/21 Fine Arts Night