



ACES PTO MEETING

September 18, 2018
Minutes

In attendance President Leslie Smogor, Vice-President Laura Balles, Treasurer Kristen Phillips, Secretary Melissa Turner, Jenna and Scott Shaw, Lace Ochoa, Missy Jenkins, Rebecca Monjaraz, Kara Bown, Heather Claxton, Steve Claxton, Jewel Wacker, Janell Harroun, Maureen Courtwright, Susan Stasinis, Nicole Martinez, Angela Walker, Wendy Peterson, Christina Majka, Cany Williams, Bridget Winz, Kendra Boone, Melinda Hafenrichter, Elisa Maldonado, Dana Parkhill, Magda Emmert, Courtney Panczuk.

*Meeting started at 6:06 PM, Wendy Peterson motioned to approve minutes of August meeting and Kendra Boone 2nd the motion.

1. Budget Report

Leslie Smogor went over the budget report, Heather Claxton motioned the approval of the budget and Scott Shaw 2nd the motion.

2. Old Business

Recap of the online spirit wear sale that wrapped up September 10th.

3. New Business

- a. Car stickers are still available for purchase on the website for \$5.
- b. Fall fundraiser kicks off September 26 until October 10. You can also order online.
- c. National Walk to School Day is coming up.
- d. Halloween Dance is set for October 19th 3:45-5:30. For the 4th- 6th graders and they will have a chance to change into their costumes after school. No walk ups will be allowed to attend, permission slips are due October 1.
- e. Kindness Crew is a new committee who's aim is to boost moral for the students and the school. Looking into putting post-it notes on lockers with words of encouragement.

4. Principal's Report

Principal Elisa Maldonado gave an update of the goals for the school year, Math, reading, and social emotional.

5. Committee Reports

- a. Box Tops- There is a bulletin board in the hallway near the recess doors to help motivate the kids to turn in their box tops.
- b. Restaurant Nights- Last month (August) was Foxy's and ACES got \$140 back. Tomorrow night is Rowdy's and goes from 11AM-11PM. October's restaurant night is at Culver's , make sure to bring the flyer and look for some familiar faces that may be getting your food together.

c. Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC)- Wendy Peterson is part of the CAC and presented what happened at this past meeting. At the CAC parents can volunteer to sit with Dr. Shimp and discuss updates in the district in an open forum setting. If anyone has any questions for the district, let Wendy Peterson know and she can bring thing up at the meetings. The Code Red drill has changed and the district will be using the Run, Hide, Fight Drill. Flyers about the change will be sent home to parents with all the new information. There are talks about forming an anti-bullying committee and the district is looking for parent to join.

d. PTOC Report- Leslie Smogor discussed the last meeting and what the PTOC is. PTOC is all the PTO's of the district coming together one a month at the district office. Run, Hide, Fight drill was introduced and will be used in Code Red situations. There is now an emergency call contact number which is a septate number then the school. The Yorkville Education Foundation (YEF) raised over \$4,000 at the half marathon. October is the blood drive. There was also a presentation of chrome books. The district is trying to get a grant for the water bottle filling stations to be put into the schools. Aramark and Septran are hiring. ACES and BGES are setting up a Turkey Bowl to earn bragging rights in the district. A fun and simple way to get the community to have a great time together.

6. Open Forum

a. The topic of recess and bullying were brought up and how can we help the kids who are being picked on. The buddy program at recess wad talked about having others seek out the kids who have no one to play with and befriend them. Can Parents volunteer to help out more during lunch and recess so there can be more adult supervision?

b. Kendra Boone mentioned that the BMX motivational speaker from last year was great and if we could do another assembly like that. The kids really connected with him and his message.

c. A vote to give \$750 for author visits to Nicole Martinez (School Librarian) was accepted.

*Adjournment 7:00PM