

## **MRE PTO Meeting Minutes December 8, 2015**

- I. Call to Order – 6:30 p.m. Amy Ehnes**
- II. Approval of Minutes – Tammie Woodyard, 2<sup>nd</sup> Jen Wobbe**
- III. Movie Night**
  - a. Amy Ehnes is Chairperson.
  - b. Event will be January 22, 5:30-8:00
  - c. Kids are currently voting in their classrooms for their favorite movie
  - d. Movie choices are Inside Out, Minions, and Hotel Transylvania 2.
  - e. The winning movie choice will be announced at the Leadership Assembly in January.
  - f. There will be popcorn, drinks and candy available as we have had in the past.
- IV. TJs Pizza**
  - a. Selling will begin January 19 and end February 2.
  - b. Order forms will be turned into TJs on February 10
  - c. Delivery of product will be February 24, 6:00-7:00
- V. Iditarod**
  - a. Mrs. Wilbas is organizing it again this year.
  - b. Expenses have been approved and paid for.
- VI. Pancake Dinner**
  - a. Alison Wilhelm is chairperson.
  - b. Event will be February 19, 5:30-7:30
  - c. 5<sup>th</sup> graders will be working at it again this year.
- VII. Chuck E. Cheese Fundraiser**
  - a. Jen Wobbe presented the idea of having a fundraiser at Chuck E Cheese.
  - b. The school would receive 15% of money spent.

- c. There was discussion on possibly having the fundraiser on an early release day in February or March.
- d. Ms. Weeden suggested another fun idea to raise money would be to have money jars.
- e. Students would put cash in a jar that was labeled with the name of a MRE staff or teacher. The person's jar with the most money would be duct taped to a cafeteria wall during one day's lunch hour. Suggested names to be put on the jars were: Mrs. McClain, Mrs. Goerss, and Ms. Weeden.

**VIII. Target**

- a. Amy Ehnes announced that Target will be discontinuing their program of sending money to local schools.
- b. Target will send their last check to MRE in February.

**IX. Update from Mrs. McClain**

- a. MRE will be adding a new SPED teacher mid-year.
- b. MRE is continuing to add students throughout the school year.
- c. Teachers are working very hard in getting assessments done in math and reading.
- d. Student teachers will be coming to MRE in February to work with the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade students.
- e. Students will be keeping their same leadership roles for the second semester. There was discussion on the option of having the students select their leadership preferences at the end of the previous year. This would help get the leadership families underway easier in the new school year.
- f. Mrs. McClain encouraged parents to attend the Leadership Training in the Fort Zumwalt School District to keep the Leader In Me program sustainable and growing for the future.

**X. Treasurer's Report**

- a. See Financials.
- b. Did not receive the amount of income we had budgeted for the Clubs Choice fall fundraiser.
- c. Open to new ideas for next year's fall fundraiser.

**XI. Other**

- a. Tammie Woodyard is looking for her replacement as the Box Tops chairperson.
- b. A lot of time is spent cutting down the box tops.
- c. It was suggested the Teacher Leader leadership family would be a good group to cut and count the box tops.
- d. The Amazon Smile program was discussed. Need to find out if Mid Rivers Elementary is part of the program or only Fort Zumwalt School District.
- e. It was suggested to possibly not do Buzz Books next year. A small percentage of families sent in information and there were a small number of books purchased. The school actually lost money on it this year.

**XII. Adjourn 7:15pm – Next Meeting Jan 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm**