

Spirit Lake Elementary PIE  
March 9, 2020  
Mrs. Hagedorn Classroom

Meeting called to order by PIE President Nicole Evans at 12:05p

Board members present: Nicole Evans, Greta Gruys, Jessica Garvin, Amanda Smith, Alison Schmitz, Kelly Mueeting, Joy Pritchard, Kristen Boe,  
Guests present: Kelli Kruger, Heather Kalkhoff, Carrie Meyer, Stacy Howard, Jessisca Reinking

Purpose Statement: PIE provides the students of the Spirit Lake Elementary School activities and opportunities that support and extend their education above and beyond the classroom.

#### Principal Report

Mr. Huebner provided report.

Conferences are going well, wraps up tomorrow night. Teachers and staff are very appreciative for the teacher meals and for the childcare provided by PIE. Kindergarten Round-up and Pre-K open house and informational meetings scheduled for next week; projected numbers will be available in the next few weeks. Please refer anyone you know! Spring Pictures are March 24. 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> graders will be taking Iowa Assessments March 30-April 3. STEM Night is March 31<sup>st</sup>. Global Day of Play was held and very popular- growth through games and collaborative teamwork. 1<sup>st</sup> grade is doing a "Kindness Kart" and provide acts of kindness throughout the building. Early Childhood Center Bids were due at 12:00p today; hopefully will go through. A temporary change in routine is expected and hopefully minor! Flexibility is important as we need the space and for further growth.

#### Review/Approve February Meeting Minutes

Motion made by Kristen to approve; second Jessica. Ayes all, motion carried.

#### Review/Approve Treasurer's Report

Motion made by Greta to approve; second Joy. Ayes all, motion carried  
25% down payment was cashed by Boland Recreation (playground company)

#### Family Fun Night Follow-up

- Great turnout! \$931 was collected in the collection jar for the Playground! 8<sup>th</sup> grade concession stand made \$500 for Washington DC trip. Suggestions for a magician or a balloon artist were suggested to entertain kids waiting in line for next year.

#### Conferences

- March 5<sup>th</sup> and March 10<sup>th</sup>
- Meals- Erika Graves arranged via Sign-Up Genius
- Babysitting has been provided by After Prom Committee and Kids; \$500 donation will again be made from PIE to After Prom Committee for providing babysitting services.

#### Kindergarten Round-up and Pre-K Information

- Tuesday, March 17<sup>th</sup> 5:30p
- PIE representative to speak (Kelly Mueeting)
- Pre-K information meeting is March 19<sup>th</sup> with Round-up day March 20<sup>th</sup> (half day for future kindergarten and TK students; current Kindergarten students do not have school)

#### STEM Fair

- Tuesday, March 31st. Students set up projects 1:45 (3<sup>rd</sup> in gym, 4<sup>th</sup> in lunchroom). K-4<sup>th</sup> grades invited to walk through 2:00-2:30; Community invited to walk through 6:00-7:00
- Co-chaired by Greta Gruys and other PIE members to assist with set up and take down
- Greta spoke to 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> grade students February 25th and distributed STEM information packets, permission slips to be due Monday, March 9<sup>th</sup> and trifold poster boards will be distributed Thursday, March 12<sup>th</sup>
- Playground information table staffed by PIE with donation jars for playground

#### 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation

- Leaders/Committee needed; Joy Pritchard and Kelly Mueting offered to help
- More details/date forthcoming

#### Teacher Appreciation Week

- May 4<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>
- Past ideas included dress up days (Pirate day, beach day, teachers favorite color, pajama day, spirit day- ?), daily treats for staff lounge via sign-up genius, and questionnaire about your teacher. Pirate theme- "ARRRGHH Teachers are the BEST!". New idea of offering mini massages in the staff lounge; perhaps area cosmetology students that need hours fulfilled could offer their services? Or donate through sign-up genius? Will look into.

#### Playground Committee Update

- Okoboji Foundation grant submitted. Many thanks to Kate Mendenhall for her diligent work in writing and putting together.
- Alliant Energy Grant submitted
- \$931 received from the Family Fun Night Donation jar

#### Misc.

- Silly String Fundraiser- Idea of selling cans of silly string for \$5 bottle (order form sent home) and then list which staff member they wanted to spray with silly string. Teachers could wear ponchos, goggles, etc. All teachers are 'in'! Yeaaaa!! Will be held outside. Maybe near the last day of school/end of May
- HyVee Bags reusable red bags were sold with \$1 from each bag sold went back to SL Elementary during the month of February. \$44 dollars received.
- Elementary Spring Concert is Thursday, May 7<sup>th</sup> at 9:00a at the SAMI Center
- Download the BoxTops App if you haven't already!

#### Colin Wipf of Great Plains Fundraiser

- Local resident and presented information about Great Plains Fundraising
- Shared treats of freshly baked cookies and caramel corn
- Distributed brochures. Also uses "Midwest Nut", "Boston's Best" that is coffee and K-Cups, artisan soy candles, Frozen foods, Cinnabuns, Otis Spunkmeyer and many other products.
- Students orders are boxed individually on delivery day
- Owns their own delivery trucks and Colin himself will deliver the products personally.
- He will do presentation for the school students about

- Touted the benefit of using a local individual in representing their delivery; their office is on Memphis Ave in Spirit Lake
- School receives 40% of sales. No minimum order for companies except Spunkmeyer that requires 350 item minimum requirement
- Not just school sales; to consider contacting Colin Wipf/Greater Plains for any program that needs to raise money!

PRIZE DRAWING!!

- Kelly Mueting's name was drawn for inviting someone to attend a PIE meeting; Carrie Meyer's name was drawn for attending her 1<sup>st</sup> PIE meeting. Both received gift cards to Scooter's Coffee

Motion made by Amanda to adjourn; second Ali; Ayes all. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 12: 46p.

Next meeting: Monday, April 20th at 12:00p in Mrs. Hagedorn's classroom.

Respectfully submitted,  
Greta Gruys, PIE Secretary