

Peterson PTA Minutes

11/10/16

Meeting called to order at 9:30am

Allison Landstrom, Principal

- Thank you to everyone for all the help with IPEF and Boosterthon.
- Found some chairs, created by Scholastic for the LMC that are cool and inexpensive. May get some to put in classrooms.
- The election is over and some teachers are worried about what to say to the kids. We need to tell them that we are lucky we to live in a democracy and we now need to work together. We are going to be ok.
- No update on construction or from the City of Naperville.
- Incentive to sit with friends at lunch went well for the most part. Some friends didn't get the chance to sit together. We will try to come up with a solution for next time.

Christine Ficks, President

- Asked everyone to review the minutes from the last meeting. No one had any changes. Made a motion to approve the minutes. Minutes were approved.
- On shutterfly.com, if you follow the link to Peterson, for every order placed 13% of sales go back to Peterson.
- We are looking in to getting a Buddy Bench. This program was started by a young child who was looking for a friend to play with at school. There will be a link in Mrs. Lanstrom's Sunday update with more information. Sarah Blakely mentioned the school they attended in Pennsylvania had 2 and they were great. This is something that would be a third-party purchase, hopefully for a local company. The link will just talk about the concept.
- Sangeeta couldn't be here today, but we do have a Boosterthon update.
- 75% of students are registered (501 students), 64% have pledged (426 students)
- As of Monday, we have made \$16,841, most likely over \$17,000 net now
- Thanks to everyone who volunteered and came out to cheer on the kids.
- The Boosterthon team was great and the kids had fun.
- Donations are still being accepted.
- Some parents felt there wasn't enough lead time for the kids to participate in the incentives. The process wasn't perfect, but went well overall.
- We have no updated budget to review. Will have one for the next meeting.

Van Ruggeri & Leslie Shepherd, Watchdogs

- Everything is going great.

Holiday Shop

- Kim Wightkin is running this event for us. Jen Tedrow is acting as liaison. Kim is currently working on the number of vendors and tables needed. Flyer did go home if you were interested in being a vendor. There is a cost per table. The money goes to the PTA. Volunteers will be needed to help kids shop and wrap gifts. There will be evening hours too.

Emily Brosnahan, Spirit Wear

- Crone and Scullen apparel is available. Make great Christmas gifts.
- Tomorrow is the next spirit day. Thinking of doing red, white and blue in honor of Veterans day. There may not be enough lead time to let parents know. Kids wearing Peterson colors and red, white and blue will we be counted for classroom counts. Will put a note up on the Peterson Facebook page.

Allison Landstrom, Principal

- We will be announcing the names of Veterans tomorrow. There was a link in the last Sunday's weekly update to sign-up.

Christine Ficks, President

- Beth Sessa & Hannah Niziolek couldn't be here. The next dinner night is on November 15th at Jet's pizza. This is an all-day event and no flyer is needed. Just mention Peterson.

Joann Frisby, Ink Recycling

- Keep turning any ink cartridges that you have.

Stephanie Dyniewski, Box Tops

- We earned \$373.30.
- Mrs. Corbat's 5th grade class collected the most box tops, congratulations.
- Keep collecting box tops for the next competition.

Christine Ficks, President

- Richa Kumari is in charge Reflections again this year. On 11/3, 22 entries moved on to the next level. Not sure how many entries were turned in.
- All entries will receive a certificate.
- Next year, we will try and have the art and music teachers talk to the students about this program and to stress that this is completely optional to participate in.

Chanda Ladaga, Directory

- Still working on update.

Neha Patodia, PDAC

- Mrs. Landstrom and Neha attended the World Café on October 20th.
- Need committee members. Would like diversity in members. Start with room moms.
- Want people to be able to discuss problems.
- Need to send out an email letting people know about the comment box in the office.
- It has been a problem getting PTA and parents involved at most schools.
- After getting together a committee, would like to have a get together for lunch or dinner to talk about issues and start planning the multi-cultural night.

Colleen Keen, IPPC

- IPEF performed about 2,200 heart screening at Neuqua on September 15th and 29th. They will be done on January 26th at Metea and on April 20th at Waubonsie.
- Don't forget to nominate staff for the A+ Award.

- IPPC coat drive was a great success again this year. They collected over 1,000 winter coats, over 100 pairs of winter boots, over 500 pairs of gloves, over 100 pairs of snow pants, over 30 hats and over 160 scarves.
- Boundaries and air conditioning was also discussed at the meeting. Phase 3 of air conditioning plan is estimated to be \$3,000,000. The total project cost is around \$9,000,000.
- A demographic study is due and will be done in the spring. Metea is at full capacity. All details of the study will be shared.

Karrie Mascari & Jen Wang, After School Programs

- The next session of Engineering for Kids begins on December 5th.
- The next session of Chess Club begins on December 8th.

Denise Mascari, Family Fun Nights

- On December 21st, Tim Hannig's The Pro Kids Show will be at Peterson. There will be 2 daytime shows for students and an evening show for families.
- The family show will be at 6:30pm
- The evening show is 100% different from the daytime shows.
- This is a show for families and we would like families to sit together, not with the kids upfront and the adults in the back.
- There will be a sign-up for this event. The details are still being worked out.
- On January 21st, there will be Peterson night at the Chicago Wolves game. Tickets will be \$20.00. (The Wolves are charging Peterson \$17.00 per ticket, so we may make a little money)
- Ticket price includes a Wolves hat for all kids.
- All seats will be in the same section.

Jen Tedrow, Toiletry Drive

- We are doing this with Fry Elementary. The collection period is for one week, 11/14 – 11/18.
- A flyer will be coming home this week.
- There will be a box in the front of the school for donations.
- New items only please.

Christine Ficks, President

- Asked if anyone had any unfinished or new business. No one did.
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Meeting adjourned at 10:20am