

NPE PTO Minutes
November 11, 2014, 7:00
NPE Library Media Center

Welcome-President, Lori Burks, called the meeting to order. In attendance-4 staff members, 8 PTO members

Financial Report: Kari Morwick, treasurer, reported the balances are roughly \$1,200 in checking and \$ 33,195 in savings. The approximate grand total is \$34,395.

6th Grade Dance-The date for the next 6th grade dance is January 30th at 6:30 p.m. NPE is hosting and Laura Haeberle and Karen Rist are coordinators for this.

6th Grade Celebration: Karen Rist and Laura Haeberle are heading up this event. The possibility of providing the 6th grade with T-Shirts prior to the Celebration is being discussed.

Art Fundraiser: Mrs. Bouche has completed this fundraiser and those of you who ordered, should have your children's art work to enjoy.

Box Tops: Nikko Loman and Karli Raynor, co-chairs have these collection dates left: 1/30, 2/27 and 4/17. Box Tops were submitted on Oct. 31. Box Tops totaled 23642= \$2,364.20. Bonus box tops totaled 6151= \$615.10. Campbell's Labels totaled 11,655- Total points were 41,175. Tyson labels totaled 196 collected. Keep them coming!

Carnival: Karen Rist and Ruby Short decided on the theme, "NPE is Out of This World!" along with other committee members. They have started purchasing large inflatable prizes and hair color. The date has been set for Friday, April 24 from 5-8:30 p.m. Bounce Houses and a Dunk Tank have been reserved. The planning committee will start monthly meetings soon.

Entertainment Books: Stacey Cleveland and Lori Burks have completed this fund raiser. It raised \$11,771.49 once we subtracted Mega Party snacks and Prizes for 1st, 2nd, 3rd place winners.

Market Day: Natalie Young, chair, announced Market Day deductions for October were \$10.70, used to purchase 2 new family kits for the Parent/Teacher conferences. The sales total for October was \$1,377.32 (Total for the year is \$1,584.48). There were 23 orders placed and 2 new customers. The school sold 267 boxes of cookie dough and the profit from pies was \$1,201.50

McDonald's Family Nights: Erin Amones, chair, reported our school made approximately \$185 this month. Students, who made a purchase, also received an incentive prize for showing up!

Room Parent Coordinator: Codi Strong and Jessie Hurst announced all the room parents are set for the year. We are still in need of one room parent for the Valentines Party. The new system seems to be working well using one parent per room party. The snack for the Halloween party was ICEE's and water. The small amount of feedback received was positive, but we would love to hear more from the teachers and room parents. The Christmas snack has not been decided yet. The Teacher Survey has been sent out. Results of survey will be sent to each Christmas Room Parent to pass along to each class parent. This can be used to help with Christmas gifts, class gifts etc.

Spirit Wear: Missy Ackerman, chair, reported that the date for the Spirit Wear Sale is November 3 - 17. Orders will be delivered the week before Christmas break.

Student Directory & Website: Jen Popp announced that the 2014-2015 New Palestine Elementary Student Directory is complete. The PTO has chosen to go green to save resources as well as the printing costs (\$750 budgeted amount!) for the booklets. This version can be easily viewed on the computer screen, saved as well as printed on 8.5 x 11 paper. The Student Directory is available on a password protected page at <http://www.npepto.com/> - click on the "Student Directory" tab and then type in this password that was sent in an email on September 30. Please contact Jennifer Popp

if you have any questions, need the password sent to you or have any feedback about improvements to the Student Directory for next year to jpopp@npepto.com or call/text 513-4459.

Jennifer Aldridge has agreed to be the Student Directory and Website Coordinator next year (THANK YOU!) so she will be helping to post updates on Facebook, www.npepto.com as well as sending emails through the PTO Manager. Please send your announcement requests to both jpopp@npepto.com as well as Jennifer Aldridge at jenniferaldridge1@gmail.com.

Teacher Appreciation: Codi Strong and Jessie Hurst hosted a September and October Treat Cart. We currently have about 40 pies volunteered for the November Treat Cart with need of 85-this will enable the bus drivers to be included. Volunteers will continue to be recruited through the NPE newsletter each week. Delivery will be Monday, November 24th. The Staff Christmas Party will be Thursday, December 18th at 3:40pm at NPE. Food will be provided from Kopper Kettle.

Yearbook: Angela Phillips announced the book will be 64 pages, the same as last year. The price will be \$15 per book and \$20 with personalization. The books will be handed out on Back to School Night for the 2015-2016 school year.

Old Business: There was a discussion about the kindergarten playground equipment. A Seesaw and Double Bobble Rider have been purchased and delivered for the playground. Corporate will be hiring someone to install it.

**OUR NEXT MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR Tuesday, January 13, 2015 AT 7:00
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