

**Franklin Elementary School
Parent Teacher Organization
“Working Hand- in- Hand to Build a Better Community”**

**MINUTES
September 12, 2019**

Present: Stefanie Picard, Jeanna Miner, Greg Keith, Christina Angulo, Melissa Sevigny, Connie Frank, Colleen Walsh, Pam Flaherty, Sephanie Mastalerz , Meghan Danko, Kayla Methers, Chelsea Stockton, Ashley Holmberg

CALL TO ORDER:7:06PM by Melissa

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS: Pam Flaherty volunteered to be teacher liaison

OFFICERS REPORTS

- Secretary Report (Colleen)-Colleen will email Mr. Keith
- Treasurer Report (Christina)-Starting balance \$12,669.61, 8th grade gave donation \$354.52

NEW BUSINESS

- Ice Cream Social (*Amanda/Meghan/Connie*) – 9/20/19 from 1:45 PM -2:45 PM with 80 kids eligible
- Butterbraid, Cookie Dough and Pie Fundraiser (*Amanda*)– starting 9/20/19, Order forms going out next week. Pie order need to come in October 11th and cookie order by November 1st
- Photo Board Display (*Amanda*)-*Amanda requests pictures of past PTO events to use for events and donations. To put a face to what we are doing as a PTO.*
- Pumpkin Contest (*Cindy/Amanda*) *Drop off will be October 23-24th for pumpkin contest and voting will be October 25th. Trunk or treat will be October 25th.*
- *Pumpkin winners will go to trunk or treat. Spirit week will have to be moved to October 28th.*
- Trunk or Treat(*Jeanna*)
 - Oct 25th– Contact Firehouse for confirmation
 - Trunk sign-up and prizes-Connie will send flyer to Jeanna and will be sent out 2 week before 25th. Candy donations will be accepted.
 - Activities/Photobooth-spoke about coloring page, Mr. Keith will be a wizard if available, Have the kids put their hands in a sensory box with jello, pudding, gummy worms, spaghetti, grapes.Stefanie will bring hay bails.
 - Bake Sale-Ashley sign up genius. We need dinner foods and apple cider in the past has been donated and free apples.
- Fall Spirit Week (*Amanda*) – Week of 10/28-11/1, Need ideas for Spirit Days Halloween, green and white day, sports day,
- Feast(*Connie/Meghan*)-*Turkey. Possible days for feast to correspond with parent teacher organization either on the 7 or the 8th. Also will run book fair and basket raffle as their will be more foot traffic.*

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Box Tops (*Amanda*)-*started going to digital box tops. Scan receipt and upload it. We have to download app.*
- School Store (*Amanda*)-*Friday lunch waves. Holiday store will be December 16th-20th and Amanda will need 2 people each day.*

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- 5K Trail Run-table until next meeting, Melissa will reach out to Sprague

OLD & ONGOING BUSINESS

- Feedback from Teacher/Staff Survey-Melissa sent out surveys and had 2 returned. Staff appreciative of allotments, field trips.
 - Discussion ensued about increasing teacher allotments.
 - Stefanie made a motion to increase teacher allotment to \$300 and Connie 2nd motion. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carries. Colleen will send out letter to teachers of increase of \$300.
- Mrs. Flaherty asked about assemblies and maybe combing STEAM and assemblies as in cardboard challenges, deconstruction zone.
- Open House Review-have lots of samples for Back to School
- Income checks from Stop&Shop, Big Y, Shoparoo, BoxTops, etc.-Target does not help schools anymore.
- Insurance Renewal-Melissa reports that it was lowered due to structure. Melissa needs to take off the property off insurance coverage and she will follow up with cost for this year.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Crayola Marker recycle boxes are missing
- Mrs. Meether spoke about Empty bowl program. Maybe March for bowls
- Mr. Keith internet safety night with the state trooper-6:30PM at Fields October 3rd
- 154 to 160 kids and only school that increased. FES was 3rd overall for growth. Bacon and Waterford High School approved schools if parents want to drive them there.
- Kayla will input on Google calendars for PTO information
- Jessie Luis campaign-Choose Love event-be Kind-Sandy Hook event

NEXT MEETING – October 10th @7pm

ADJOURNMENT-8:32Pm