

Winterquist PIE Meeting Minutes

October 10, 2016

The meeting began at 6:30 in the library with introductions. Lots of people in attendance! Welcome to everyone.

Nadine presented the treasurer's report. The total balance in the account is \$45,450.43. The deposit from the fall fundraiser was \$21,228.00 – we have not received the bill yet so that has an outstanding amount. The profit from this first sets the teacher request fund for the next school year and any additional profits will go to the general fund. We are checking into bringing in a MN Science Museum experience and will be presenting that in the coming months.

Fall Fundraiser: Delivery date will be October 18th on the playground. Please make sure if you placed an order you come between 3:00 and 6:00 as this year there is no school the next 5 days to send items home with students! The total amount sold was \$21,228.00 of that our profit is about \$8,500.00 – these amounts do not include any on-line or late orders. We will have a more accurate update next month.

Conferences are Monday 11/7 and Thursday 11/10. Heidi was informed the spaghetti dinner has been moved and will not be happening during a conference night. After some discussion it was determined we would like to purchase some pizza from Eskomo Pizza Pies on Monday night and do the taco bar pot-luck on Thursday. A sign-up sheet was passed around but we are looking for more volunteers. If you would be interested in donating to the pot-luck, please contact Heidi at pie@esko.k12.mn.us or calling her at the school. As we were on the subject of food, it was brought up that we should do doughnuts for the bus drivers again. A motion and a second was made and this passed. Mr. Harker will purchase doughnuts and deliver them again.

Amber Berg did some research on t-shirts and sweatshirts and was looking for some input if there would be interest in dri-fit shirts and sweatpants. After some discussion she will look into more specific options and come to the next meeting. Tabled until the November meeting.

Hats – Heidi and Karen did some research on new stocking hats. There were 2 different styles presented and it was determined to go with the grey and blue striped hat with the fleece lining. The supplier has a 2 week turn-around time from order. A motion and a second was made to order hats to sell in time for Christmas, this was passed. Heidi will have them order hats!

Elementary Art - Ms. Weizenegger attended to provide an estimate for supplies for the new art classroom. She presented two estimates – one for \$1152.12 for paper and other supplies and a second with two estimates for art related books \$600.00 from Amazon or \$420.00 from Barnes and Noble. These books will stay in the classroom to be used by students when they finish a

project early. As we had allocated funds for this last year there was a motion and a second to approve the purchase of art supplies and books and this passed.

Swings – Mr. Harker did some research on replacing the swings on the playground and found 2 vendors. After some discussion there was a motion and a second to spend up to \$1,200.00 on replacement swings and chains.

Thank you letter for 5k – Karen will get this done this week.

Lego robotics –the advisors for the new Lego robotics club requested \$500.00 to assist in start-up funds for this new elementary group. The costs involved to get this club started is around \$2,000.00 for the purchase of 2 kits, team registrations, and a laptop. They have requested donations from local businesses but have come up a little short and wanted to see if PIE would be interested in contributing. This club is for 5th -7th grade students. After some discussion there was a motion and a second and this passed. We look forward to hear updates on how their year goes!

Teacher Requests - There were 4 teacher requests this month:

1. Miss Uecker requests \$255.32 for two Hokki stools and 1 inflated stability wobble cushion. She has some of these stools in her classroom already and would like some more as they help students. There was a motion and second and this passed.
2. Ms. Hallsten requested \$216.00 to purchase 2 Hokki stools as she has some students that these movement chairs would benefit. This was presented together with request #1 so it also passed.
3. The 5th grade teachers requested \$825.08 to help keep the cost down for the annual ELC trip this year. As this grade is larger they will need 3 busses this year. This is an annual request. There was a motion and a second and this passed.
4. Last was Ms. Vesel-Johnson for \$840.00 to assist with the rental cost of the roller-skating. This is an annual request. There was a motion and a second and this passed.

Open discussion: Some parent have done some research on Gaga ball and wanted to know if this is something that can be added to the playground area at the school. The cost is relatively low for equipment needed to construct the area. More research is needed as to where this can be placed. Mandy and Mr. Harker will work on this and come to the next meeting with more information.

As there were no further items on the agenda the meeting was adjourned.

Next meeting will be November 14th at 6:30 in the library – we hope to see YOU there!!