

Winterquist PIE Meeting Minutes

January 9, 2017

The meeting started at 6:33 in the library with introductions. Thank you to everyone that comes!

Nadine presented the Treasurer's Report. The statement ending balance as of 12/30/16 is \$34,673.79. All invoices have been paid and cleared to date, we are only waiting on an invoice for the last apparel sale. Teacher request remaining balance is \$2913.00. All teacher requests have been invoiced and paid also.

The apparel sale was a success. However, we will be going back to Advantage due to some challenges in delivery promises. Karen has been working with Ben from Advantage for them to provide an all online sale we can provide this spring. There will be a note coming home the first week of February and information posted to Canvas. All sizing options will be listed online but we will have sample sizes available at conferences in February. The sale will run for 2-3 weeks.

There has been some discussion about changing what we do for our fall sale. This sale will continue to happen as this is where we raise the teacher request funds for the following school year. Any additional monies raised go in to the general fund and can help provide wonderful experiences for the students like the Science Museum. Some ideas are: doing a non-fundraiser where people give a free-will donation instead of selling stuff, doing gift cards to local restaurants or staying with Clubs Choice. There was some discussion and the idea of the donation was popular but was cautioned as we do not want it to appear we are just asking for money. As there were not many parents at this meeting this was tabled until the February meeting. If you would like to have some input as to what we do next fall, please consider attending the February meeting!

All the stocking hats have sold. There were a handful that had the pom fall off but Advantage is providing replacements for us.

BIG NEWS! An anonymous parent voluntarily called Olive Garden to inquire the cost for them to provide a meal for the teachers. OG told this parent they do this all the time for schools and would be happy to provide salad, breadsticks, pasta and two sauces for BOTH conference nights at NO CHARGE! With this wonderful donation, all that is needed is some desserts and supplies for the meal. If you are interested in donating, please contact Heidi or email us at pie@esko.k12.mn.us Thank you anonymous parent!!!

Officer nominations are coming up on April. Please consider volunteering to this organization! As Nadine and Karen have 5th graders they will not be a part of the elementary school soon. As there cannot only be one officer, if there are no volunteers this organization could be in jeopardy of disbanding. We REALLY do not want that to happen!! There is plenty of time and being an officer is very rewarding so *please* consider helping Winterquist PIE with your time!!

With the information we received from the MN Science Museum Mr. Wick is working with the science team to see what we would like them bring to our school. This will probably be delayed until next fall. He will keep us all updated.

Teacher Requests: Mr. Wick requested \$38.94 to cover the cost of providing pizza for school patrol 'veterans' to come back and work for a morning while the entire 6th grade class is at STEM showcase. If it were not for these helpful individuals there would be no patrols that morning. Pizza lunch is provided for these volunteers as a thank you. With a motion by Brian H. and a second by Karen this item was voted on and passed.

Next was Ms. Salo/Mrs. Durand for 1st grade. They are asking for \$270.00 for the renewal of the STARFALL app that was used previously in the computer lab. This app would be a district app that all K-2 classes could have access to if they were interested. It is used mainly for reading skills but has math skill work available also. It can help a wide range of skill level, giving help to those that are struggling just a bit while still providing options for the high flyers to explore some more challenging options. With a motion by Nadine and a second by Karen this was voted on and passed.

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

Next meeting will be February 13, 2017 at 6:30 in the library!