

Kloefkorn Elementary School

Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) Meeting Minutes

September 22, 2016

Our Mission

The purpose of the PTO is to enhance and support the educational experience at Kloefkorn School, to develop a closer connection between school and home by encouraging family involvement, and to enrich the environment at Kloefkorn School through volunteer and financial support.

Meeting Agenda

Board members present: Shanti Gangadharan, Angela Korpas, Emily Killham

- Call to Order / Welcome (Shanti Gangadharan)
 - 6:36 p.m.
- Review/ Approval of minutes from prior meeting (Angela Korpas)
 - May 2016 Meeting minutes
 - No modifications or amendments were made. Minutes were approved.
 - August 2016 Meeting Minutes
 - No modifications or amendments were made. Minutes were approved.
- New Business (PTO Members)
 - Brian O'Neal made a motion to purchase another shelf for the PTO closet. The motion was seconded. Discussion was held. Brian offered to purchase the shelving (with PTO funds) and assemble it. Voted and passed.
- President's Report (Shanti Gangadharan)
 - Committee Chairs - Brian O'Neal and Scott Zager will be a resource for technology tools. Stay tuned.
 - Shout out to Megan Johnson for Spirit Wear coordination and efforts
 - Shout out to Picture Day committee, Angie Tidball and Emily Killham for making sure our kids look cute!
 - Thanks to everyone who made it out to DQ for last night's dine out. Stickers were helpful.
 - Reminder that Fun Night is Fri Oct 7th. Get early registration in by this Friday, otherwise you'll be paying a little more at the door on the night of the event! Try stickers **if registration numbers don't increase.**
 - Parent Teacher conferences - meals, Jeni David
 - Using Sign-up Genius, putting link in tomorrow's Chronicle
 - Upcoming events:
 - **October**
 - 10/7 Fun Night, theme is "Super Heroes" 5:30 – 8 pm
 - 10/11 Parent/Teacher Conferences (PTO provides meals for staff)
 - 10/11 Runza Dine Out
 - 10/13 Parent/Teacher Conferences (PTO provides meals for staff)
 - 10/24 Skate Party at Skate Zone 6-8 pm

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- 10/27 PTO Board and General Meeting 6:00 pm Cafeteria
- 10/28 Movie Night - Hotel Transylvania 7:00 pm
- Treasurer's Report (Brian Agnew)
 - No report today.
- Principal's Report (Tonya Jolley)
 - Report cards will be different this year, better process for teachers. Parent Teacher's Conferences coming up soon. Lisa Roberson is doing a great job as the Instructional Coach for teachers. Nature Day is this weekend, using grant money to improve Mendoza Park. Peter Brown came to school today, signed 2 books, which will be auctioned at Fun Night Silent Auction. PTO received a thank you from 3rd graders for lockers. The snow blower has arrived at distribution; Chromebooks and the bike rack have been ordered. A shade for cafeteria would be helpful. Iowa Cogat testing is coming up. We are one of the Top 5 schools for testing scores, will celebrate this achievement with students. We are starting to think outside the box and make school fun. Mrs. Jolley's supervisor did a site visit, and she is pleased with how things are going. The 4th grade is in a math pilot called Math Expressions; teachers trying to figure out pacing and handle a majority gifted kids and minority not.
- Teacher's Report
 - No report.
- Committee Reports (Scott Zager / Committee heads)
 - Affiliate Programs
 - After School Programs
 - 44 kids; net \$700-800. 4 sessions this year. Sign up went great.
 - Art Fair
 - Book Fair
 - By-Laws
 - Directory
 - Environment
 - Met with Mrs. Jolley, Bryce Cudaback and Brittney Albin to discuss composting in cafeteria, rain barrels, etc. Composting will be through Prairieland Dairy. Kloefkorn will sell bento boxes to encourage diversion. Committee has discussed a garden area, but has to take into account future expansion.
 - Friday Folders
 - Fun Night
 - Vendors/Refreshments
 - Food Trucks - Insurance update, donations to school? Donations are coming in, the Cake Walk this year will have new items like candy bars. Culligan donated water; Runza and GoodCents will donate cookies and Emily Killham will pick them up. Food trucks will be: Rolling Fire Pizza, Korean BBQ, Rita's Ice and Slim

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Chickens. We'll need 80 bags of Colby Ridge popcorn.

- Silent Auction
 - What to do with Cake War? Make it clearer on forms next year if people are giving money for silent auction item or for a cake. Also think about using online auction app next year. At Maxey's Fun Night, there were "experience" items such as: Principal for ½ day, Ice cream day for classroom, front row seats at a school concert, parking spot, going to a movie with Principal, etc. Shanti Gangadharan will make a Thank You Board for Donors and will organize Cake War part. A cake entry will be made by a former contestant of the Cake Wars TV show. Also, we could ask Rebecca Wood to donate some cookies.
- Games
 - Exchanged some with another school.
- Volunteers
 - College kids to run games and help set up.
- Registration
 - Price will go up after Friday, but can still register early.
 - Wait on goodie bag purchases until have final registration number, then add 100. Go ahead and order bracelets. Runza Rex will hand out goodie bags when people leave, and will cut off bracelets. This year will have a better box rather than a donated bag, and fewer trinket things.
 - Decorations: Plan for 27ish tables; check to see on signage from last year.
- Fundraising
- Hospitality
- Membership
- Movie Night
 - Need to get buckets, will get blue with year on them. November 18th Movie Night will feature Finding Dory. Will buy candy after Fun Night is over.
- Picture Day
- Playground
- Safety
- School Celebrations
- Science Fair
- Spirit Wear
- Yearbook
- Unfinished Business (PTO Members)
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- Announcements

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- Speaker
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- Adjourn
 - 8:30 pm