

MLK PTO Meeting Notes.....11/12/13

Greetings/Present

Marissa Lopes-President	Kim Rohm-Treasurer	Kristin Lussier-MLK Principal
Laura Cavanaugh	Kristin Shcrag	Carlo
Larry-YMCA	Kim Jason-MHLC	Ms. Paige-MLK Teacher

Principal Lussier speaks

-The first item brought was by Principal Lussier was the amount of children not being picked up on Friday afternoon release. Last week 15 kids were not picked up by 2:15, the last one left at about 4pm. There doesn't seem to be a consistent group of families that causing this issue, thus difficult to pinpoint who to address. The point being that Principal Lussier will be making another Robo-call about pickup to all parents/guardians of MLK students; even though many parents are complaining about the repeating messages.

If the issue doesn't clear up this Friday MLK can bring it to the next PAC meeting on November 21st; the district may need to address this on a district level. **We will continue to monitor, this is unresolved.**

-Harvest dance scheduled for Friday, November 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2013 from 6pm-8pm. Flyers went home today to parents/guardians and teachers. There will be an 8:30 am meeting in the Literacy Office to organize, open to everyone. People are needed to see refreshments, tickets, and monitor the doors during the dance. DJ has been hired, photographer is in process. Prices are: kids \$1, adults \$3, families \$5.

-Mixed bag fundraiser-sample bags will be displayed near the office. Very simple fundraiser, Order online, give school ID#, ships to purchases home address. 40% of sale to MLK

Treasurer Kim Rom speaks

Current balance in bank is \$5,100. The PTO needs to pay for recorders (\$600. The recorders have already been given out. A request has been made that the music teacher please request \$5 from parents/guardians for each recorder. If half get paid for, great!

The PTO also needs to buy (12) \$20 gift cards for Thanksgiving baskets (\$240). The boxes are on the Pit for each grade level item to be donated into. The baskets will be given to families November 26-27.

Brings balance to \$4,260

Pizzico earn \$630. Other ideas for restaurant fundraisers-McDonald's, Texas Roadhouse-Chuckie Cheese.

## Old Business

-Technology Team updates-No one has meet about the school's technology issues since last PTO meeting. Principal Lussier spoke with and showed what the school needs to a PPSD electrician, who since has not come back in contact at all. This is a very big issue. MLK is slated to test the new PARK test in the spring. But in order to do that the school needs an appropriate landline to be installed in the library, connect the internet to all the computers in the library, be sure that the computers are able to access the PARK testing program, and have working headsets for all the 26 computers. **We will continue to monitor, this is unresolved.**

## New Business

-New Assistant Principal Interviews are complete. An offer has been given to the chosen candidate. Currently waiting for him to tie things up with his previous position, then MLK will introduce the new Assistant the PPSD community. He will begin November 26<sup>th</sup>, and attend the school board meeting that day. Principal Lussier will welcome the new assistant to the MLK staff 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> week of December.

-Reports cards went home today, two days before Parent/Teacher conferences

-Book Fair Volunteers are still needed for Thursday most of the day. Marissa spoke of two parents who want to volunteer, but have no computer access. Maybe more access to volunteer information is needed in the future (?)

-New fundraising idea-Holiday Bazaar-brought tho the table by Marissa-Saturday, December 7<sup>th</sup>, 10am-3pm. Holy Name School used to do one. It would be \$20 per table (non-refundable). We need to contact local businesses, and artisans. Advertise with Kidoinfo, flyers on electrical poles in neighborhood, post on FB and MLK website.

A list of things that we need for the Holiday Bazaar: Baked Goods, Gift wrap, possible tables. **We will continue to plan this.**

-Returning fundraising idea-Healthy Living Fair-brought to the table by Carlos-Sometime in January as a standalone event possibly on a Saturday. The goal is to create useful health and wellness interventions for MLK families. PTO members will contact any health related people they know. **We will continue to plan this.**

**No further notes-I left at this time.**

