

Andover Elementary School PTA Meeting Minutes

March 7th, 2023, 7:00 pm AES Library

Attendance: Celeste Willard, Lucie Wilson, Jamie Tildey-Bailey, Jen Thompson, Katie Marino, Taylor Parker, Cindy Murray, Bree Lanzieri.

Call to order at 7:03 by Celeste Willard

Approval of February meeting minutes- Celeste

Principal's Report- Mrs. Parker

- The DARE program will be starting next week. The DARE Graduation will be combined with the Step-Up Ceremony at the end of the school year.
- Taylor reached out to AHM and suggested a 6th grade dance with Andover Hebron and Marlborough. She offered for AES to host. She has not yet received a response and will update when she does.
- Taylor suggested selling snacks at sporting events held the school.
- Enrichment- Reptiles Program. Katie checked the budget, and we are out of funds.
- Pre-K Registration- Only 2 sports left!
- Chorus- The decision was made for chorus to be held during recess vs before or after school to give all children the opportunity to participate.
- 3/1 Free lunch program began.
- 3/8 Invention Convention.
- 3/29 Conferences and early dismissal for students.
- 5/25 Evening of the Arts.

President's Report- Celeste

- BOE Update- Next meeting is 3/8.
- Fundraisers
 - Trivia Night- 3/31 Celeste asked Taylor will send an email to families with the flyer attached. Celeste spoke to Johnny at Andover Pizza. Pizza and wing order is all set, and he has tables and chairs available for us to use. He also has flyers and will sell tickets. Cindy sent the spreadsheet to the PTA email. Cindy asked about music and Celeste said she will be able to have control of the jukebox. Celeste offered to help Cindy validate the answers to the questions. Jen will get the trophy. Jamie will get the balloons. Other items needed are post-it notes and pens. Celeste, Jamie and Jen will be there ta 5:00 pm to help set up.
 - Munson's- Closed. \$400.00. Pickup will be 4/1 at AES. Lucie and Jamie to assemble orders. Katie will get Lucie a check.
 - Sneaker Fundraiser- Got Sneakers. Bree is organizing. We will make \$ based on the condition of the sneakers donated. Got Sneakers provides

the bags. We will plan to have this around Earth Day. Taylor suggested having a drop box right inside the main entrance at AES.

- Spring Bulbs- We will not be doing this Spring.
- Talent Show- 1 Act and 2 emcees so far. Katie is working on any paperwork needed for the space with Rosemary. Taylor suggested having the 6th graders announce during morning announcements to get the kids excited. Katie will work on setting this up. Lucie suggested the kids get groups of friends together for acts. Jamie offered to help. Katie suggested the teachers have their own act.
- Outdoor Sign- Jen to add the Munson's pickup, Talent Show, and Trivia Night to the board.

Treasurers Report: Katie asked about a deposit from "Rays Right." Lucie said this is from the gift card fundraiser. Lori closed the account. We also received a deposit from Amazon in the amount of \$181.

Membership Report: Bree. Nothing new to report.

New Business:

Other:

- Upper Playground- Jamie. GAGA Ball. Group discussed that it may not be the best idea, Lucie and Celeste will work on applying for a grant for a cargo net and getting a new quote.
- Lucie asked Taylor to print the Trivia Night flyer for Friday folders.
- 6th Grade Social- Lucie asked if parents will be planning it. Taylor said she has a meeting regarding all 6th grade end of the year activities, and she will update. She expressed that she would like kids and parents to be involved in planning.
- Invention Convention- Lucie asked about it being mandatory. Taylor stated it was originally going to be a club but there were not enough parent and teacher volunteers. She said she will be rethinking offering it as a club moving forward. Time management was an issue. Lucie suggested timing for next year as there were 4 other projects due the same week for 6th graders. Celeste asked Taylor if there are any similar programs. Taylor said Invention Convention is the most well-known and largest.

Celeste made a motion to adjourn at 8:08 pm. Jamie 2nd. All in favor. Motion moved. Meeting adjourned.

Next Meeting: April 4th, 2023, at 7:00 pm.