

PIE Monthly Meeting Minutes
January 7, 2015

Attendees:

Christy Solimine	Kathy Montal	JayneMarie Hunt	Stephanie Rizzo	Susie Spiezio
Kathy DeFanti	Ron Griffin	Kiki Spezio		

Discussion Points:

1. Introductions
2. Review of December meeting minutes: Christy Solimine made motion to approve meeting minutes and Stephanie Rizzo 2nd the motion.
3. Ron Griffin attended meeting and discussed the following with the group:
 - a. School culture changes have started to happen this year, i.e. falcon tickets, morning meetings, role playing.
 - b. Dress Code- would like to update handbook and be in the affirmative vs the negative. Looking at affordability, comfort, quality, and accessibility. They have gotten quotes from about 7 vendors so far and have looked at other charter schools on what they do. Also gave us quiz on what is and what is not in dress code. Talked about survey that went out and feedback that they got back.
 - c. 3 separate surveys will be going out in the next month or so: one to faculty, one to lower school families, and one to upper school.
 - d. Some feedback that we gave:
 - i. Staff should dress to the same standard as students
 - ii. Staff dress down days don't line up to student dress down days
 - iii. Individuality of barrettes, socks, and shoes
 - iv. Also wrote down individual feedback on Quality, Cost, & Comfort
 - e. Holiday Fair
 - i. Totally for it, wants to talk more about to what age....issue is more about getting out of class. Ron would like to talk to staff about what age to cutoff. Another issue with the event is space limitations. Susie Spiezio asked about why it is no longer offered after school for older kids- Ron loved this idea, he didn't know why it stopped.
4. Scholarship Fundraiser Event
 - a. Participation and the amount of time spent organizing this event does not seem worth it. Only ~55 people attended the event.
 - b. Raised \$2,968.91 after all expenses. Christy Solimine made a motion to give the school \$3,000. Jayne Marie Hunt 2nd the motion. JayneMarie Hunt will write check to school.
5. Paint Night- Stephanie Rizzo got asked by a parent if alcohol was allowed, no alcohol on school grounds. We did meet the minimum number of people attending to hold the event.

6. Holiday Fair- Profit was ~\$1600. Made much more than expected. Jayne Marie Hunt suggested that we spend some money on items we need for next year.
7. Line Dancing – Instructor not available April 1st and May 20th,
8. January 21st Open House, PIE will have a table if anyone can help Kathy Montal out. Have video slide show that will continuously loop thru. She will be handing out copies of newsletters. Decided to have candy on table instead of raffling something.
9. Box Tops- Containers are being put into the classrooms for Grades K-5. Stephanie Rizzo will check these weekly. Contest- decided to have a classroom prize- winning class K-5 will get a pizza party. Deadline for this contest will be Feb 12th.
10. Stephanie Rizzo is going to look into March 3/4th for Great Wolf Lodge since students have Friday off because of staff development day.
11. March 11th Princess Dance – Christy will be leading this event, will check with Tanya if she plans to co-chair with me. Jayne Marie Hunt, Stephanie Rizzo, Kathy DeFanti all offered to help. Invite to say “A Royal evening for Girls grade k-5 and their someone special. Stephanie will talk to Kimberly Getker about creating an invitation for the event. Decided to charge \$8/family ahead of time, \$10 day of event.
12. Budget: we are under budget for the year.
 - a. Motion was made to send school additional \$2,000 for field trip busses, Jayne Marie Hunt made motion to pay, Kathy DeFanti 2nd the motion.
 - b. Received a request to help fund winter jackets for children in need. Christy Solimine made a motion to allocate \$250 from the wish list budget for the winter jacket request, Stephanie Rizzo 2nd the motion.
13. Fundraiser- can have one this year per Dr. Logan
 - a. Kids Art- Stephanie Rizzo will talk with Linda Hernandez about talking with art teacher about the dates to have in time for Mother’s Day.
 - b. Coupon books- not sure if we should do this for the middle/high school or for a particular group.
14. Scholastic Dollars- We received \$280 in scholastic dollars- suggested making certificates and raffling them off to the teachers, or using it for raffles for next year.
15. Spoke about lack of parents attending meetings- a suggestion was made to setup a conference call for next month to allow parents to call in. Kathy Montal will look into this.
16. Christy Solimine made a motion to adjourn meeting, Kathy DeFanti 2nd motion.