

# **NETTLE CREEK GRADE SCHOOL**

## **PTO MEETING MINUTES**

Date: September 14, 2015    Location: Nettle Creek Music Room    Called to order: 3:35 pm

Financial report: Heidi Kempfiak, Treasurer, reported funds of \$ 9,033.14 with some outstanding bills in the PTO account.

Administrative report: Dr. Mckinney discussed the new bus situation, going from 3 buses down to 2. He stated that we want to be within the 50-60 min time frame that the surrounding areas (Minooka, Mazon, Coal City) use. In other words, if our longest bus run is less than 50 min, we are in good shape, and currently our longest is 48 min. Also, there was discussion about double bus runs, if needed, they would possibly have a driver step in to run our other working bus that we have parked at the school.

He reiterated that if you need to pick up your child from school, sending a written note to school is the best way to inform them. If you forget, an email is acceptable, but must be sent to Karolyn Entwistle AND Dr. Mckinney.

He spoke about the new hot lunches starting next Monday, the 21st of September. These lunches will meet the National School Guidelines & will be a healthier and cheaper alternative. This is a partnership with Lisbon schools, since we do not have a kitchen.

MAP testing will be taking place this week for all grades.

Parent Advisory Committee: This is a part of the meeting where it is open to questions, concerns, rumors and/or new ideas for Dr. Mckinney. No discussion today.

### New Business:

A.) Spirit Wear: Heidi Kempfiak & Lindsey Geiss said that all orders have been turned in to Logoworks...and items should be done/available in 1-1 1/2 weeks.

B.) Box Tops: Deanna Miller is our Box Top Coordinator, so keep sending in those Box Tops,,,it's always a competition between classes and a prize is given to the winning class each month.

C.) Concessions: Stephanie de la Hera & Jill Vinachi are managing the concession stand items and going to Sam's Club when needed to purchase items. Please mark the forms on the frig when candy/drinks get low & need to be restocked.

D.) Room moms:    Kindergarten-Nisse Hoge  
                          1st grade-Erica Rath  
                          2nd grade-Kim Voss

Room moms continued: 3rd grade-Jen Shell  
4th grade-Nicki Smith & Stephanie de la Hera  
5th grade-Kim Phillips  
6th grade-Michele Carlson  
7th grade- Megan Evenson  
8th grade-Brandi Ostrem

**THANK YOU** to all the room moms & **please try to attend the PTO meetings!!!**

E.) Committees: We have several people who signed up for different committees on the night of the Pigoast and we want to THANK YOU for your involvement!! Please stay tuned for a phone call or email by the chairperson re: your upcoming activity/party to plan.

F.) New Officer Nominations: The following were nominated and elected as new PTO officers, **effective immediately:** **Jen Chellino** as President, **Nisse Hoge** as Vice President, **Jill Vinachi** as Treasurer, and **Jenn Gross** as Secretary. Congratulations ladies!! We would like to thank the old PTO board for ALL of their hard work & dedication to our children and the school,,,great job Megan Evenson, Stephanie de la Hera, Heidi Kempiak and Karolee Ferguson.

Other Business: PTO received a request from K-2nd grades to pay \$200.00 for a field trip to Konow's Pumpkin Farm, all in favor, and a check was written.

There was discussion about the Wine & Stein fundraiser this year, along with other possible fundraisers, it was decided to go ahead with the Wine & Stein again this year because it is such a big money maker for the school.

Dr. Mckinney also proposed a member of the PTO/or person in attendance at the meeeting, come to the School Board Meeting every month to update them on PTO activities. Jen Chellino, new PTO President, has agreed to do so.

Next PTO meeting undecided.

Adjourned at 4:25 pm.

Attendees: Lindsey Geiss, Heidi Kempiak, Jenny Chellino, Jodi Nelson, Nisse Hoge, Stephanie de la Hera, Megan Evenson, Kim Voss, Don Mckinney, Jenn Gross, and Erica Rath.

