

The May 2019 Meeting was called to order by Laura Hill, PTO Co-Coordinator, at 6:34p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Attendance

Laura Hill (PTO Co-Coordinator), Nicole Kingsbury (Treasurer), Katie Hintz (Secretary), Chris Droste, Stephen Sevener, Maria Markey, Katie Hintz, Chelsie Maxwell, Matthew Kingsbury and Dawna Hartt.

Secretary's Report:

- C. Maxwell motioned to approve the March 2019 PTO meeting minutes, and K. Hintz seconded.

Treasurer's Report:

- The new benches for the outdoor classroom were purchased and installed with the monies that were set aside for the outdoor classroom. An easel was purchased for the outdoor classroom for instruction and 35 clip boards for student use.
- Stage equipment was purchased and was utilized for the talent show. It will be permanently affixed later in the gym for future performances vs. remaining portable.
- We received a check from Burger King for the \$1.00 per meal kickback from the limo lunch from the fall fundraiser high earners. Burger King really made this reward a positive experience for students.
- Money raised from the Color Run and Fun Fair were down a bit from previous years. The Fun Fair coincided with other area events and may have impacted attendance. Similarly, the Color Run may have had attendance conflicts with the start of league soccer, various baseball leagues, and the lack of participation with the other two elementary schools that participated last year. There may be additional monies coming from the Auburn Hotel, which generously offered to provide us with 10% of the checks from Color Run meals served that weekend.
- K. Hintz motioned to approve the secretary's report, M. Markey seconded.

Principal's Report:

- We appreciate our teachers a lot, but especially this week with it being Teacher Appreciation week. The PTO has been working to put together some special treats for our beloved teachers at Auburn Elementary!
- MSTEP testing is complete, and NWEA testing is beginning this week. The testing will be largely carried out in the classrooms instead of the Media center. Testing should be wrapped up in about two weeks.
- Field Day for K-4 will be May 31st. Fifth graders will again attend their field day with other fifth grade elementary students at Western High School. M. Dillon who has organized the fifth grade field day is stepping down this year, but two volunteers will continue the program next year.
- Mrs. Jaime is preparing for the 2nd – 5th grade Music program on June 4th in the morning. There will only be one performance. There will be a Kindergarten music

celebration on June 3rd and a 1st grade program in the afternoon on the 4th. Specific times have been communicated through Facebook and our web calendar.

- Student council was able to raise approximately \$1,500.00 with their penny drop, and they will be purchasing about five trees. We are working with Artisan's Landscape to identify trees and their location.

Coordinators' Report:

- Fun Fair went well, as did the Color Run.
- Teacher appreciation week is underway, and we are very thankful for the parents that have helped to make this week special for our teachers.
- Field Day arrangements and plans continue to be made. We look forward to receiving help from parents on this fun day! Parents will be reminded to bring a change of clothes as the students will be getting very wet this year.

Old Business:

- The benches have been installed in the outdoor classroom. The weather hasn't been excellent for use of the space, but some teachers have test driven it and love it.
- We need to continue to be mindful of the maintenance of our projects. An example is that we should look into sealing/staining the wood in the next year for the pergola of the outdoor classroom to extend it's life.

New Business:

- Fundraising will be directed toward additional playground features, and a vision board will be created to display somewhere in the new entry after the construction is completed this summer. Perhaps it will be more possible to achieve this by creating smaller features around the playground instead of one structure?
- A tentative PTO calendar has been set for the 2019-2020 school year and is posted on our web calendar.
- The next meeting will be Monday, September 2019 at 6:30 p.m.
- Mr. Sevener learned that he will be transferred to Kolb Elementary for the 2019-20 school year. He has been at Auburn for about 9 years and is very sad to be leaving such an awesome school community. His replacement has not been announced. It will be an interview position.

A motion was made to adjourn by L. Hill and seconded by C. Maxwell at 7:10 p.m.