

Family Center PTO Meeting – Wednesday, May 15, 2019

Attendees: Lori Holtzman, Debbie Reilly, Elizabeth Macanufo, Betsy Sinclair, Liz Florek, Michelle Snyder, Julie Gullickson, Rebecca Tantillo, Alison Yee.

Treasurer Report (Betsy Sinclair): Budget reflects revenue through April; there are a few things that haven't cleared yet. There is about \$1000 outstanding. We made our budget, but we may be slightly in the red, but we should be mostly on target. Patterns of hits and misses seen in budget – class photos and art to remember were hits; Sip, Savor & Support was a miss, low on participation across the board, low attendance on flashlight walk and low participation on dues.

4 scholarship request for next year – a \$5,047 request. We need to raise an additional \$3000 for next year. There was a previous year they budgeted \$5500 for those scholarships but most other past years were low.

Various strategies for raising the money, including seeking individual donors, looking at grant possibilities, asking alumni, or adding additional fundraising events to the calendar were discussed. A small PTO Board committee will consider options and will move forward with possibilities.

Betsy made a motion for scholarship approval, and Lori seconded. All other voting members were in favor.

Communication update (Liz Florek): Lori will write end of the year update. Liz got the PTO PayPal link updated on the website

PTO council was talking about corporate matching – you can put it on the website “if your company does matching”

President Update (Lori Holtzman): Working on PTO Calendar for next year, discussed positions that still need to be filed for next year. Liz is going to send another eblast with an updated list of open positions.

It was mentioned that moving Sip, Savor & Support to the fall could be better for meeting each other, and better for participation. Also, it wouldn't be so close to Mom's Night Out. Elizabeth Macanufo said she can help with Sip, Savor & Support. Will wait until district calendar is out in the next week or two to look for date for Sip, Savor & Support.

Will send Elizabeth dates for next year to review.

Director Report (Debbie Reilly):

The staff thanks the PTO for the treats during Teacher Appreciation Week. We all enjoyed the yummy treats and the sweet notes from parents and children.

PAT family visits for the school year are ending. The PAT staff (Beth Shook, Jani Holyan and Jann Fowler-Cornfeld) served 166 families with 241 children on almost 700 visits this year. In collaboration with our screening team (Amy Scheffer, Maryam Saffat, and Amanda Tran) we screened 160 children in the areas of motor skills, concepts (intellectual development), self-help skills, language development, hearing and vision. We are in the process of hiring another parent educator so we can serve even more families.

In early returns of our family surveys, families report positive experiences in our PAT program and valued the parenting support and access to resources that the PAT educators offer.

Please mark your calendars for our first PAT big event of the 2019-2020 school year. Our Tons of Fun Vehicle Fair is Saturday morning, September 28th.