PAW MEETING NOTES

January 9, 2023

PAW OFFICERS: Melissa Feeney (President), Amber Rud (Treasurer), Heidi Ness (Secretary)

Attendees: Melissa Feeney, Amber Rud, Molly Penk, Lyndsey Olsen, Derek Branton, Heidi Ness, Jennifer Och

1. Intro Discussion
   a. Beaver Island and Believe checks deposited
      i. $192 from Beaver Island Tending For A Cause event in September
      ii. 41,244 is new checking account total
   b. Ideas for spending money
      i. Field trips are now approved but transportation is still limited
         1. Has to be within a certain time and distance
      ii. Could go bowling and incorporate math unit
      iii. Grades could pool money for larger experience if they don't want to do a field
           trip
      iv. Need teacher feedback by next PAW meeting in February
   c. Upcoming fundraisers
      i. Coin wars – usually generates about 3K
      ii. Food Trucks
         1. This year we will charge vendors instead of donation since no trucks
            donated last year, minimal amount like $100
         2. Chairs were in short supply – call it a picnic and have people bring
            their own chairs and blankets
         3. No bouncy house but we can pull out games from closet like corn hole
            and yard games
         4. We could sell pop and water and freezies

2. Apparel sale: any info or do we need to find someone else?
   a. Derek follow up with Felicia and will pursue other company if needed

3. Great Theater
   a. No update yet, Derek follow-up and confirm dates
   b. Targeting March 13-17, week after spring break
   c. There is a choice to do during school or after – prefer after
   d. Other schools in district have option to participate also

4. Coin Wars February 13-17
   a. Should we do classrooms or grades?
      i. Grades, it is difficult to track by class
         1. There are 17 classes
      ii. Are grade levels fairly even based on number? Yes
      iii. Preschool can join with any other grade level
          Venmo. Venmo submissions should include child’s name and grade.
      v. Cutoff time for competition - 10:00 am on Friday so winner can be announced
         by end of day
vi. Jen draft paper reminder that can be distributed week prior, email to Molly for printing

b. Prize/Reward Ideas
   i. Last year we did prize for two highest earning grades
      1. Pajama Pizza Party for First Place
         a. House of Pizza gave us a deal
      2. Ice Cream for Second Place
   ii. Grade level choose date
   iii. Pizza would be snack – would not replace lunch
   iv. Will aim for only doing one prize for 1st place, can get ice cream for 2nd place if totals are close

5. Teacher conference meal
   a. Olive Garden build your own pasta
      i. Choose 2 noodles, 3 sauces, 2 toppings
      ii. Includes salad and breadsticks too
      iii. Feeds 10 for $140
      iv. Melissa will see if we can get a discount
      v. 35-40 teachers need to be fed, would need 3
   b. Usually teachers come between 3-7 so might be challenging if we need to keep warm, we can narrow the time frame down and let teachers know
   c. Ask parents to supply pop/water and/or dessert
      i. Tray of cookies at Costco is reasonable
   d. Conference dates 2/16
   e. We have money in budget so could use some of that
   f. Any leftover money in the budget can go to end of year staff BBQ

6. Let’s start thinking of fun ways to handout the shopping spree items
   a. Items include snacks, kitchen and bath items, home décor, mystery toys
   b. Derek can distribute at an upcoming staff meeting
   c. Names in a hat and people can choose a gift from table
   d. Will put in Melissa’s room

7. Budget review and teacher requests for reimbursement
   a. 4th grade Snowman boards
      i. Check to Mrs Nett $43.53 for boards
      ii. Check to Mrs Zippoy $10 for paint
   b. Mei Gumi gingerbread houses - $60.04
   c. Kindergarten gingerbread cookies - $56.72 check to Mrs. Stang
   d. Molly to deliver checks
   e. Mrs. Nett – 4th grade random classroom things, TDB till after field trips

8. Robotics team state competition registration
   a. One out of four teams made it to state for robotics so far, another may make it after additional competitions
   b. $155 to register per team
   c. Beaver Island $ can be used for this + remaining $139 in budget if needed
      i. Next year we will look at dedicating a fundraiser specifically to robotics
   d. Approved, fee can be charged to PAW card

9. Spark field trip last week
   a. STEM field trip to SCSU
   b. Four 5th graders attended last Friday
   c. Cost was $450
   d. Derek find out who paid and who gets reimbursed, will have this person connect with Amber and Melissa
10. Playground update
   a. Looking into replacing broken items now
   b. Two quotes under review, similar in price – school board needs to approve
   c. Ideally will get new equipment this summer
   d. Trying to figure out what to replace vs what to wait on and build new

11. Paper and Kleenex drive
   a. School needs paper ASAP
   b. Amber bought 13 cases of 12 kleenex already so will keep it to just a paper drive
   c. Molly type up a message and work with staff to distribute via Seesaw, Jen share to PAW facebook page
      i. Word it specifically as one pack of copy paper
      ii. Send out in January, before coin wars starts
   d. Could give out ring pops and/or extra pork chop toys as part of drawing for anyone who brings in a pack of copy paper
      i. Unsure of who would collect and distribute prizes

12. Bins were backordered, Amber tried to cancel but they still came the next week
   a. Received refund but not shipping labels for returning
   b. Then they sent another order too
   c. 30 boxes currently in Amber’s garage
   d. Amber follow-up with School Specialty again about shipping labels. If no response, will donate to the school.