10/7/2021

**UES PTO Meeting** 

Meeting commenced at 7:05PM.

## New Business

- Board changes:
  - Vote in Co-Treasurer Annette Royer Baer
    - Unanimous
  - o Still in need of someone to fill the Committees position
    - Any interest?
- Enrichment
  - We have collected 5 requests so far
  - 2 of the requests are pending approval from Dr. Lafferty, but are expected to be approved without issue
  - TOTAL AMOUNT BEING REQUESTED BASED ON THE BELOW \$2,552.90
  - Request 1: Ms. Stair
    - Requested amount \$267.00
    - Item's requested
    - (3) wireless keyboards for all three 3rd grade teachers
    - Math book
    - Comments: book will give additional creative options for hands on learning that parallels with what is being taught with Math in Focus
    - Pending approval from Dr. Lafferty
  - o Request 2: 2nd Grade-Mr. Barrett, Mrs. Skinner, Mrs. Robinson
    - Requested amount \$652.44
    - Items requested:
    - (6) STEM bins (these come in a set of 4: \$93.49 each = \$560.94 total
    - STEM Bins Mega Lesson Bundle \$40.50
    - Stem Bins Build and Write Lesson Bundle \$36.00
    - Stem Bins Brain Builders Lessons: Grammar Edition \$15.00

- Comments: These Stem bins will allow for easy integration for STEM concepts into daily lessons for all subject areas to entire learning.
- Dr. Lafferty has approved and signed for the above request.
- o Request 3: 3rd Grade Ellis, Oldenski and Stair
  - Requested amount- \$896.25
  - Items requested:
  - (75) SEAT SACK: organization sacks for the back of all student chairs for their Chrome books and math books to be stored
  - Dr. Lafferty has approved and signed for the above request.
- Request 4: Wendy Clark K-5th ESL
  - Requested amount \$680.45
  - Item requested:
  - (1) Half-moon whiteboard table \$434.88 and \$245.57 for shipping = \$680.45
  - Comments Wendy did submit 3 quotes for the same product and the above pricing is the lowest out of the three. The other two products also require a shipping amount of around \$200.00
  - Dr. Lafferty has approved and signed for the above request
- Request 5: Rita Langdon Library
  - Requested amount \$56.76
  - Item requested:
  - Letters that spell NONFICTION for the library to assist students in finding the correct book section.
  - Pending approval from Dr. Lafferty
- \*\*Motion to vote on requests received so far
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Upcoming Events/Outreach:

- October:
  - o Spirit Week
    - Friday Pajama Day
  - Picture Day 10/15

- o Book Fair 10/25-10/29
  - Motion to vote the Breakfast with a Buddy budget donated to library (\$600)
- Halloween
  - Parade @ 9:25am
  - Class Parties
- Coin Drive is 10/18-11/12
  - Goes toward materials to make blankets for MLK
- Spirit Wear
  - Deb Yardley coordinating
  - The online Shop will be going live ASAP to get orders in time for holidays
  - Also looking to have items on hand for sale at events, etc.
- Clubs:
  - o Girls on the Run
    - There were not enough volunteers for fall, aiming for spring
  - Science Explorers
    - Started 10/4
  - Foreign Language (French)
    - Started 9/21
- Foreign Language (Spanish)
  - Still looking for teacher
- Early Bird PE
  - Started 10/7
- Drawing Classes for Kids
  - Started 9/14

Dr Lafferty Notes:

- KACS donation was awesome! Thank you!
- Square 1 art is going on
- Final touches on a Halloween communication to come out soon.
- UE spirit week was so fun
  - We should consider attaching a PTO direct donation announcement to spirit

weeks

- Agreed good idea
- Coin drive beginning
- Enrichment grants coming in
- There may be a couple of outdoor community events happening at night or on the weekends at the other schools but there is much talk about rescheduling events to later in the year.
- Focus on outside events
  - No indoor events currently

Emily Baroni doing yearbook

- Looking for volunteers
  - Requested a write up to ask for volunteers
- Colleen will need help for next year as several of the volunteer's children are moving on
  - Learning curve for software
  - Portraits are 10/15, retake is 12/2
  - Trying to get it set up that the yearbook will be available online at time of portrait purchase instead of the end of the year
- 5<sup>th</sup> grade is doing a cover contact with Mrs. Smith the art teacher
  - She has done this at previous schools
  - $\circ$  5<sup>th</sup> grade only
- Request to take pictures at any school events, since only 2 parents are allowed in for parties and such
- Scott Dugan will be loaning cameras to 5<sup>th</sup> graders to take pics
- Had success with the photographer for a day bingo prizes
- Will discuss a yearbook club in future non-COVID years
- More info will follow about sending pics
  - Gmail account vs drop box
- Pics are due by 4/11
  - There will be reminders
  - $\circ$   $\,$   $\,$  Prefer to have pics sent early as it may be too late in the future

## Caroline Cullen

- Subsidies in addition to enrichment
- Each teacher receives \$150-200 for small things around the classroom and supplies
- This is budgeted for all the teachers
- About 5 teachers have signed up