

Harelson PTO  
PTO minutes  
May 6, 2019. 3:00pm  
Location: Harelson Staff Lounge

Meeting was called to order at 6:30pm by PTO President, Mandy Quelland.

Attendees: Mandy Quelland, Molly DeCastro, Megan George, Lizabeth Loehr, Leah Noreng, Kelly Payne, Megan Cook, Angelina Price

Staff: Jason Weaver

#### Introductions

Members of the board, staff and all attendees introduced themselves and staff and parents also introduced themselves.

Approval of Minutes: Secretary, Lizabeth Loehr, presented minutes from the April 1, 2019 meeting. PTO meeting. Mandy Quelland made the motion to approve minutes. Megan George seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Treasurer's Report: Mandy Quelland reports that the FunFest was down \$2,600. This looks like the numbers from last year as well. It would seem like numbers are down from before. Silent auction was higher than last year, but ticket sales and raffles were lower. For the future, we may need to consider having a lower FunFest budget. We would need to decrease number of games and inflatables. For the Whole year, we are actually higher and are doing well. Next week we will have a board meeting and look at the budget and potential teacher requests.

#### Old Business:

FunFest/Silent Auction: Megan George reports that without the everyday effort for two full weeks of the same four people, that it could not have been done. The silent auction brings in most of the funding for the FunFest, and it is a big project. For the future, we could really use a larger group with putting everything together to prepare for the event. Perhaps present it as a fun activity to make new friends.

#### New Business:

PTO Board nominations voted in unanimously:

Co-Presidents: Mandy Quelland and Megan George

Vice President #1: Molly DeCastro

Vice President #2: Open

Treasurer: Emilie Pechuzal

Secretary: Leah Noreng

Krista McEuen will no longer be on the board and will need to be removed from the account.

Principal's Message: Mr. Weaver reports that technology and chrome books have been a priority this year and our school now has a new technology committee. The staff, as a whole, has been exploring more technology. We were awarded a grant from the Amphi Foundation of \$10,000 for more chrome

books. This should be enough for 30. We are currently at 72 chrome books now, after starting with 12 at the beginning of the year.

Announcements in the heartbeat: New staff members: Amy Frank from Innovation for Kindergarten, Dee Easterling from Coronado for third grade, Jennifer Shank from Michigan for CHOICES, and Lizabeth Loehr from Prince for Resource.

Amelia Weber got first place at AZSEF (Arizona Science Fair) will be recognized at the Governing board meeting tomorrow. Orchestra times will be changing for next year in order to keep the same orchestra teacher, Mr. Tagawa. Next week we have the sixth grade musical. Kindergarten promotions on the 22<sup>nd</sup>.

This past Saturday we had 250 people come through for Comcast Cares Day. Doors, patios, the map, hopscotches and trash cans were painted, trees were planted and other things were done around school. Discussion of the funds we receive will take place with Cross Middle School. More of the work was done at Harelson, Cross had been added on after Harelson was chosen for Comcast Cares.

Call to Audience: Mandy Quelland is wondering if next year PTO meetings can be at 2:30pm to see if we can get more parents to attend the meetings.

Meeting adjourned at 3:38pm.

Respectfully submitted: Lizabeth Loehr, Harelson PTO Secretary