



Mead School PTO Meeting

8/2/2023 6:00 pm

In Person Attendance: Laura Alston, Nicole Souza, Nick Hopkins, Dawn Buckley, Matthew DiGiovanni, Amy Cosciello and Kay Martino. **Zoom Attendance:** Laura Frouge, Jaimie Weiler, Stephanie Parker, Jennifer Cotto and Jena Zullo.

Meeting called at 6:07 pm

Minutes: Approval of June 7th Meeting Minutes: Nicole Souza motions for approval, Dawn Buckley 2nd. All in favor, none opposed.

Public session: None. Closed at 6:08 pm

Treasurer's Report: Our balance is \$6,025.27, not including \$2,000.00 in new bank account. Nicole Souza motions to approve report. Kay Martino 2nd. All in favor, none opposed. Nicole Souza motions to approve budget as proposed in June meeting. Dawn Buckley 2nd. All in favor, none opposed.

Presidents Report:

Laura Alston and Nicole Souza organized the donated uniforms and cleaned the refrigerator for Nurse Shelley.

Will also continue finishing small projects from Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week in the lounges.

Carpets approved at the June meeting for the Main entrance and office are ordered.

Jaimie Weiler is making Mead Koala decals for the front desks.

Would like people to begin thinking about what roles they might consider on the Board since most officers have served their limits and would like to step down. As always, we are looking for new members.

Principals Report:

Bob Durand and Amy Cosciello are getting school ready to open and hiring new staff.

Pre-K and K Orientation's are planned as well as Kindergarten canvas. Laura Alston and Dawn Buckley will be at the Pre-K Orientation on 8/16. Laura Alston, Dawn Buckley, Nicole Souza and Kay Martino will be at Kindergarten Orientation on 8/23.

It is requested the PTO keep all admin in the loop with PTO events (Alexis, Kizzy, Lisa, Bobby Evans, Reese Morales.)

Amy has about 25-30 backpacks in storage for those in need.

Two (2) backdrops and bubble machines purchased for events.

Nicole, Kim and Dawn have volunteered to assist in getting Kindergartener's off the buses.

Back to school nights 9/13 PK-2 and 9/14 3-5.

Fundraising Committee Report:

Sneaker Drive ongoing, last check \$8.00.

Book Fair 10/18-10/20, need volunteers.

Box Tops. Laura A created a new flyer.

Stop & Shop chose us for June/July for their reusable bag sale. We are awaiting our profit amount.

School store will resume 9/6. We would like to swap holiday fair and school store budgets. Currently the Holiday Fair budget is \$1,000.00, and the School Store is \$2,000.00. Nicole Souza motions to change the holiday fair budget to \$2,000.00 and the School Store Budget to \$1,000.00. Kay Martino 2nd. All in favor, none opposed.

Bingo night is 9/15. This will be our 1st one done on our own. Nicole Souza and Laura Alston will shop. 10 baskets plus a door prize. \$1 drinks \$2 sandwiches and pastries.

Glow Dance Committee:

DJ quotes \$350.00 - \$450.00

\$5.00 admission per person.

10/13 Friday the 13th. Need to research black light rentals.

Uniform Logo Project:

Next events are 8/11 from 10:00 am – 12:00 pm (Laura Alston, Jaimie Weiler and Dawn Buckley)

8/30 from 6:00 – 8:00 pm (Jaimie Weiler, Nicole Souza and Laura Alston)

Touch a Truck: Project tabled for now. Too many other projects right now.

Teachers Welcome Committee: Food places have been contacted for prices.

Garden: Solar lights have been placed and flowers have been planted.

New member recruitment is going well.

Book Nook refurbishment on to do list.

New business:

- PayPal & Venmo 1.9%, look into more info.

- Movie Night Committee formed. Nicole Souza, Jennifer Cotto and Kay Martino.

- Teacher wish list updates: New ones at beginning of year and update 3x a year.

- Panera gift cards to be purchased. \$300.00 worth of \$15 gift cards. Laura Frouge motions to approve. Kay Martino 2nd. All in favor, none opposed.

- Scholastic Bucks around \$550 remaining. Will use to purchase books in advance for Read Across America Stock.

- Discussed giving away books in the closet for teacher libraries and/or classrooms.

Nicole Souza moves to adjourn at 7:12 pm. Dawn Buckley 2nd. All in favor, none opposed.