

Liberty Bell PTA meeting

January 15, 2015

Patti opened the meeting at 9:35am

Melinda started by reviewing the budget. We are bringing in more than we projected. We are proposing a few changes to the budget and will need general PTA vote for this. We will be voting on:

- Budget change to \$200 for showing of Frozen Movie.
- Budget change to host family fit night additional \$200
- Budget change to increase budget for passport to the world to \$500
- Budget change to add cost of new lighting system which will be about \$4000.
- Budget change to increase for outdoor classroom from \$7500 to \$10500.

Frozen Movie

Friday night January 16th at 6pm. Admission it to make donation to Betty Lou's pantry. Patti asked for volunteers to make cupcakes.

Angela Rosenberg, Laura Rush, Connie Mantz (2) volunteered to make cupcakes.

Melinda will get popcorn and bags.

Family Fit Night

Thinking of doing this instead of another movie night. February 20th. Will have stations of Zumba, karate, Yoga and calisthenics. There was a suggestion to talk to Ms. Hoff about what the kids are capable of.

Melinda will get water.

PSSA's

Paper will come home soon asking for help.

Passport to the world

We are requesting an increase in the budget for this event so we can get some nice stamps to use for the kids "passports". We also would like to have them experience other cultures by tasting their food (which has to be store bought/prepackaged) and perhaps handing out chopsticks.

Requesting to increase this line item from \$250 to \$500.

Ecco Domani Fundraiser

Decided not to do this fundraiser as we met goal at Race for Education.

Iron Pigs night

Family fun night including all three schools as we start blending.

Flyers to go out this week

Contest for all three school to throw first pitch and get 4 free tickets.

Spring Festival

Will not be a combined this year, but may be next year.

We are thinking about having a peeps diorama contest.

Food was briefly discussed.

Hopewell used fresh Market

Things need to be asked for 60-90 days before event so we need to get on it.

Cindy offered to get Disney Tickets for raffle baskets. We still need someone to head up the raffle baskets.

Yearbook

Sales will be whole month of March.

Flash drive available for any parent who has pictures want to give to yearbook committee. It is in PTA box. Take it and put pictures on and return. Inform Tricia Hawk.

Lighting System

Requested by Mr. Markley last year for the third grade play. The sound system was purchased, but we waited on the lighting system.

Mr. Markley is returning to do 3rd grade play next year.

Discussed that we could use the box tops money for this.

Melinda asked for questions, there were no questions.

Art Show/Bingo

This is a school hosted event, not a PTA event.

Ms. McDonnell presented her idea of having a company come in and set up student artwork in frames for purchase. Each frame costs \$19 and whatever the school wants to add. (the company gets \$19 per frame) They do all set up and take down.

Ms. McDonnell is thinking about charging \$20 or \$25 per frame. She would use the proceeds for the art program. She would like to do a mosaic mural outside using tiles. She would need to purchase tiles.

There was a question if you could purchase just the frame so parents could use it for other children's art work in the home. Ms. McDonnell will look into that.

There was discussion about how long to have for art show and when to start bingo night. Ms. McDonnell was thinking 6-8:30 for the whole event. Either .5 hour or 1 hour for art show at the very beginning of the night.

Discussion around food. Parents suggested keeping it simple. Water and popcorn.

We talked about being able to take credit cards. Kyle Gangwere is going to look into getting that capability.

Ms. McDonnell will need 2 people at the purchasing table to collect money and place the frame/picture in orange bag to identify what frames are paid for.

Ms. McDonnell noted that she can always use help setting up for the art show if any parent have some extra time to help.

Vote

It was determined that despite the light turnout we could still have a general vote, as there were a reasonable number of people being that it was January meeting and it was rescheduled due to weather. It was publicly advertised that we would be voting today on PTA's facebook page.

Voted on increase \$200 to budget to host Frozen movie. Passed unanimously.

Voted on increase in the budget by \$200 to host Family fun night. Vote passed unanimously.

Voted on budget change to purchase lighting system. Increase to budget it \$4000
Passed unanimously.

Voted on increasing passport to the world from \$250 to \$500. Passed unanimously.

Voted to increase expense for outdoor classroom from \$7500 to \$10500. Passed Unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Laura Rush

Recording Secretary