

Willis Elementary PTO Meeting

Date: October 19, 2022

Start Time: 2:00 p.m.

Board Attendees:

Allison Boccoccio – President

Lindsay Markun – Vice President

Kim Larsen – Treasurer

Ri Bizzaro – Secretary

Minutes submitted by: Ri Bizzaro

Welcome

- i. Allison Bocaccio welcomed those in attendance to the PTO meeting. We had missed last months meeting due to Hurricane Ian
- ii. She spoke about the busy last two months & highlighted:
 - a. PTO assistance with Hurricane Ian collection
 - b. Bookfair coordinated by Caroline and supported by volunteers
 - c. Dinner with Dads
 - d. Goodbye to Mr. Art
 - e. Pumpkin Patch for Book Fair
 - f. Picture Day supported by volunteers
 - g. Teacher and Support Person of the Year
- iii. Big thank you to all parents for help & support

Budget & Finances

- i. Kim reviewed September and October financials
- ii. September:
 - a. Tax preparation costed more than expected but should not be as high moving forward
 - b. Tumbler sales contributed to account
 - c. 5th Grade Dress down contributed
 - d. Arts A Blaze spirit night was successful
 - e. Carousels has not been as successful due to inclement weather
 - f. \$4000 in new sponsorships
- iii. October
 - a. Dinner with Dads cost (more than past Donuts with Dads)
 - b. Book Fair with proceeds back to Media Center/Mr. Violette
 - c. 5th Grade dress down contributions
 - d. \$500 in new business partner revenue
 - e. Board approval for ukuleles for music program

Principal's Update

- i. Dr. Fradley provided a brief update in Principal Price's absence
- ii. Introduced Ms. French, Ms. Collett and Ms. Eddy as teacher representatives
- iii. Reviewed experience as a shelter for Hurricane Ian
 - a. 170 people were sheltered at Willis
 - b. Nursing home hosted in the media center

Color Run Update

- i. Missy & Ri discussed the launch of Booster that week.
 - a. Benefits of Booster discussed
 - b. No family splits
- ii. Goal of \$80k for shade reviewed and highlighted that in light of the hurricane the donation requests will be muted a bit.
- iii. Prize levels discussed
 - a. Every child to get a plain white shirt for day of event
 - b. Less prizes than last year
 - c. Some prizes on that day so families will have to get donations collected early (vs. past years)
- iv. Volunteer opportunities discussed (including "dress like a gecko for car rider line")

5th Grade Update

- i. Melissa Summerlee
 - a. 5th Grade Shirts are in final design phase and will be delivered shortly
 - b. Grade picture with shirts will take place in December
- ii. Yearbook dedications, baby pictures for slide show are being collected with a prize of an ice cream party for the first class with 100% participation
- iii. Denise West is working on the 5th grade end of year party

Teacher Requests/Suggestions

- i. Ms. French, Ms. Collett and Ms. Eddie are teacher representatives
- ii. Shade in playground for benches
- iii. Soccer goals for field

Magic of Mittens

- i. Introduction to Mission
- ii. Discussion on participation, logistics
- iii. Sign up open at meeting end

Meeting adjourned at 2:51 p.m.