

Delaware PTA Meeting October 1, 2019

Members Present:

Niki Anderson, Jess Askeland, Kendra Carlson, Sarah Crispen, Krystal Drumheller, Dorene Gallant, Trista Logan, Amy Murray, Carrie Naber, Nicholle Niehoff, Alyssa Pollard, Rorrie Stapes, AJ Tilus, Kevin Walker

Introductions:

- The meeting was called to order by Krystal at 6:30 pm.
- Guest: Ric Powell-SEP School Board Member
 - 2nd year of 4-year term
 - Educator for East High School – Athletic Director
 - Wrote grants while at East
 - Connect with Polk County Supervisors regarding grant for playground
 - Helped Centennial and Mitchellville with grants on their playgrounds
 - National Playgrounds – great working relationship with Ric and grants
 - Price quote: \$47,675; does not include swing set: \$10,000; round up to \$60K
 - About \$26k in our playground fund PTA has raised
 - Write a grant for \$40k to \$50K meeting with Supervisors on Friday
 - Determine when to have installed once receive funding
 - How late into the winter can we start installing?
 - Surface is phase three; currently we will have pea gravel
 - Potentially connect with Metro Waste regarding surface
 - Looking at corporate sponsors and donors
 - Once finished installed – follow-up paperwork
- Guest: Chad Crabb
 - Running for SEP School Board
 - Listening in on the needs of each schools
- Jen-Raising Cane's- Spirit Night Fundraising – next meeting
- Jodi-Great Escape – next meeting

Alyssa Pollard: Fundraising

- Monday, September 16 \$2 short of this time last year
- \$11072; \$2382 direct donation or \$3451 – donations for playground – Jess finalizing financial numbers
- 50% pledging; 69% register; 19% registered but did not raise any money
- 566 miles; running end to end across Iowa twice
- \$6,790 raised came from non-parents
- \$22,146 profit for two year
- Winners for teacher prizes – announced in the next few days
- Dates for next year: September 8-17, 2020
- Potential new partner for 2020: Apex
 - non specialized shirts
 - no able to name run
 - Franchise – not full time in Iowa
 - Three schools going with Apex and now switched to BoosterThon
- Vote on whether to use Apex or BoosterThon
 - Vote passed for BoosterThon for 2020

Family Activities:

- Playground for Kids – possibly March 24 (TBD)
- November 12 – Culvers
- Raising Cane – January 14 tentative; coming to December meeting; no participation needed
- Over the Top – May 12th
- Braided bread sales – note going to parents.
 - Sales: October 13 – 30; November 19 pick-up
 - 5th grade sales go towards celebration; rest of money goes to 68 fund
- Clubs Choice – January 17 – 27
 - February 19 - pickup

Secretary's Report – Carrie Naber

- Secretary's report of the September 2019 meeting minutes passed by majority board vote and has been posted to the Delaware PTA web page <https://www.southeastpolk.org/school/delaware-elementary/pta/>.

Treasurer's Report – Jessie Askeland

- Reviewed revenues for September
- \$34,344 general fund; \$11,738 playground fund
- \$108 expense coming out of general fund instead of playground fund
- \$5480 basketball hoops

Hospitality/Conference Meals: Christine Sanders

- A google survey was sent out to the teachers for conference meal choices.
- Tuesday night choices were a Potato Bar or a Taco Bar from Hy-Vee. The winner is TACO TUESDAY.
- The Taco Bar includes: 2 tacos, ground beef & chicken, cheese, lettuce, sour cream, salsa, tomato, onion, jalapeños, tortilla chips, refried or black beans, Spanish rice, & cherry cheesecake.
- Thursday's meal is a boxed dinner for the staff. The 3 choices were Club Sandwich, wrap or a salad. These individual meals will be prepared by Fireside Grille along with fresh cookies.
- Our next step we will be to place orders with Hy-Vee and Fireside Grille.
- **Snacks for Conference Week:** A sign-up genius has been posted on the PTA Facebook page as well as sent via Infinite Campus. There are still some spots available for desserts on Tuesday and Thursday. A reminder will be sent out again as we get closer to the event.
- **Cares & Concerns:** No cards were sent out during the month of September.
 - Any cares/concerns that occurred during the month of September? **O'Learnik grandfather passed away**

Book Fair: Niki Anderson

- New – online book fair – 25% comes back to us in scholastic dollars
- New – e-wallet
- All for Books – round up to next dollar; and possibly used for book room
 - Cards for additional \$1, \$3, and \$5 to add on for book room
- Thursday night preview – Nikki attending
- Dropped off Thursday before conferences; teachers come in on Friday
- Theme: Arctic
- Lisa and Nikki have met with new librarian to discuss needs, we'll be using Scholastic dollars to help with building up the library. Already used the credits for One School One Book program. The books crates come library bound which is new this year.

Family Activities: Krystal Drumheller

- Purchased movie license – move forward with one school/one movie concept
- Box Top – September collecting actual clipped box top; app available (Box Top for Education)
 - Looking at doing a school wide initiative
 - Starts 9/1/2019 – 9/30/2019
 - Boxtops apps – update on who gets the credit
 - How do we get parents and teachers to download app
 - Table set up during different events; show us your app; upload your receipt
 - School goal - \$1000; \$500 we'll do the drawing
 - Incentive for the school
 - Place information about Shop A Roo as well
- Donuts with Santa – December 7th from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM
 - Start focusing on October/November planning
 - 12 dozen free donuts from Casey's
 - Kwik Trip and Kum & Go

- Trista to make a dozen gluten free donuts
- Second Annual Connor's Cup
 - 1st grader
 - Golf tournament
 - October 19, 2019
 - First \$1000 to Delaware playground rest to Vietnam
 - Blank Golf Course
 - \$60 green fees and a cart; 9:00 AM
- Backpack buddies – sign up genius if you need to sign up or see again
- Bingo – April 3rd from 5:30 – 7:30 PM
- Social Media Accounts
 - Twitter/Instagram
 - New Website
 - Hoping to keep current events and sign up information

Teachers Update:

- PBIS update each month
 - RAMS store – thank you to PTA for supplying prizes
 - Tickets received for following the ram's way
 - 340 positive notes in September
 - Every 6 weeks – assembly next week
 - Certificates for kids and photos on bulletin board

Principal Update

- Assessments at start of year:
 - FAST Math Data:
 - Last year first year:
 - Improved in every grade level from last year to this year
 - Reading above district average in fluency
 - A reading 6% above district average
 - K: last two years have come in lowest in the district; 52% proficiency up to 85% range by end of year; 57% coming in proficiency;
 - ISASP – not sure how our kids did 2018 – 2019 testing was more rigorous; no real comparisons

The next meeting is Tuesday, November 5 at 6:30 PM – 7:45 PM at the Delaware Band Room. The meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM.