

McKenny PTO Meeting

Tuesday, January 11, 2022



Attendance: Michael Havens, *Principal*; Carrie Andrew, *Co-President*; Ingrid Aries, *Co-President*; Jessie Moreno-Graham, *Vice President*; Vanessa Centeno, *Parent-at-Large*; Else Meyers; VIA Zoom - Michel Nelson, *Secretary*

Meeting convened at 6:30pm

Welcome & Introductions

Motion to accept November minutes, seconded, and approved.

McKenny Update (Michael Havens):

- YMCA approached McKenny about possible after school enrichment activities. Michael sent a survey to families yesterday to determine interest in individual classes offered at the school. Survey results from McKenny families and those of the other schools invited to participate will determine subject and instructor needs. The activities are registration fee based but scholarships would be available. No district transportation would be provided. Survey closes on Friday. School safety protocol would be followed so activities would be limited participation and would take place on the stage and in a school portable.
- ODS Superintendent Patrick Murphy visited the McKenny staff meeting today to discuss an upcoming Replacement Levy to replace the safety and technology levy passed four years ago. Past levies have provided items such as Chromebooks, which were indispensable during distance learning. The Replacement Levy includes \$2M to improve walking and biking safety corridors to school (working with the city), safety vestibules at school entrances, and technology upgrades for students, teachers and staff.
- Addressing concerns about the possibility of going back to distance learning, Michael said at McKenny it is currently more likely that a teacher would be out for a long period without available substitutes to cause a class cancellation than high infection cases would affect the entire school. So far, with luck and care, the school has been able to cover staff outages and has stayed safe.
- February 8 is election day for the Tech/Safety Levy

Treasurer's Report

Carrie gave the Treasurer's report for Abby:

- Income: received \$10 in Coke rewards and \$112 Box Tops
- Received HawkWear invoice of \$628; and paid

Action Items/New Business

Ingrid reported that the Zoom Talent Show is coming up! Deadline for student talent video submissions has been extended to Monday, January 17.

Volunteers Needed: Please contact mckennypto@gmail.com if you are interested

- Hawk Hang Out Volunteers needed to be at LBA Park during the events and to greet families. Fliers are made and ready to be distributed once event coverage is secured.
- Volunteers needed to secure donations for Spring Carnival baskets.

Boosterthon planning is underway. Fun Run, a pledge fundraising event, is scheduled for Friday, March 4 as an outdoor run but can switch to inside if weather requires it. The Boosterthon Team will be on-site and manage the event logistics and student prizes. We have the option to get sponsors to fund t-shirts but PTO prefers that the funds go to the school especially since we already provide McKenny shirts for all students.

It was decided that PTO will place another HawkWear order with blue options, opening sales on February 4th and closing February 18th. We will add a paper order option as well as online orders again and increase the costs of the items slightly to cover credit card charges.

Jessie is waiting to hear about playground requirements before bringing options to PTO. Michael will reach out to the district contact to inquire further.

The next PTO meeting is Tuesday, February 8, 2022.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:28 pm.