

**McKenny PTO Meeting
Tuesday, September 13th 2022**



Attendance: Carrie Andrew, *Co-President*; Ingrid Aries, *Co-President*; Becky Conn, *Vice President*; Jessie Moreno-Graham, *Volunteer Coordinator*; Janelle Cromwell, *Secretary*; Amanda Villani, *Treasurer*; Whitney Gonzalez, *Parent at Large*; Collette Paulson, Jennifer Marquardt, Elese Myers, Janice Houghton, Carrie Dunning, Abby Terpening, Heather Ashbaugh, Janee Kraml, Megan Rodriguez, Tess Roth, Lisa Best, Morgan Rydland, Jeff Soderquist.

Attendance via Zoom: Jenee Kramer, Christina Rappin, Vanessa Centeno, Whitney Gonzelez, Julie Carignan, Markisha Lynch, Brian Lind, Ben

Meeting convened at 6:30pm

Welcome & Introductions

Motion to accept June minutes, seconded, and approved.

McKenny Update (Michael Havens):

- Wonderful Start to 2022-2023 School Year
- 1st week of school focus on new kids. Happy with our McKenny kids and their kindness towards new kids. No issues so far. Very happy with embracing of our new students.
- Enrollment across the district is up 40 students. Good sign district is holding steady and growing. October 1st is official enrollment that dictates funding.
- Cultural celebration planning committee has been meeting to develop plan to celebrate all the culture and families that make up our school. They recommended starting at the classroom level and eventually growing. They met on 9/12 to plan for the school year.
- Equity Team – All staff and parents welcome to participate. Meet formally once a month.
- Leadership Team is currently looking for a parent to join. They meet monthly at McKenny after school day to discuss and plan for the school's daily operations. Committee includes staff (one teacher from each grade), para educator, principal, and two members at large and one parent.
- Installation of Traffic Garden: Ribbon cutting & Bike rodeo next Wednesday

Action Items:

- Sign up for PTO – Get you into directory and voting rights and spread the word
- Playground Installation is scheduled for November 5th.
 - Jesse reached out to district to help prep sight and tie up loose ends.
 - Look out for an official email with more information. We are looking for a forklift, landscape artist, general contractor, and 15-20 adult volunteers for a guided installation. Sign up genius will be sent out.
- Fall Social – Trunk or Treat
- Read a thon –
- Encouraged parents to sign up for store rewards including Amazon Smile, Coca-cola, Box Tops, Thriftway Community Rebate Program
- Hawk Hangouts – 9/21 & 9/22 at LBA
- Mod Pizza Fundraiser – October 12th
- Movie Night – Friday October 14th
- Photographer Fundraiser: 5 minutes slots, donates 100% back, 2-3 images, suggested donation \$25. 2 volunteers each day, at the capital. Friday 9/30 and Saturday 10/8. Hawks Wear store is open

Budget:

- Reviewed budget lines
- We are starting the school year with less money in reserves than usual due to the playground project.
- Theater production: paid upfront but expect to recoup through fees
- Giving \$375 to specialist and \$150 to each teacher to support their classroom and kids
- Paid for website this year.

Supply Drop Off Recap

- Otter pops at school supply drop off were a hit. Easy for PTO and kids enjoyed!!
- It was suggest to add another trash can

Kindergarten Kick Start Recap

- It was suggested that we do another balloon arch for the kindergarten night so they can have photos as well.

- It was mentioned that the first session is more popular so next year we should reduce the amount of invites to the first session so that they can easily accommodate more people at the earlier time.