

Center Street PTO
January 8, 2019 @6:30 PM
Meeting Minutes

Principal's Report:

- Amazing December! Santa's visit (Thursday December 20th) to CS was a huge hit. December Buddy Day (Friday, December 21st) was a large success. The students were so excited about Buddy Day cookie decorating. Large precautions were taken to ensure germ avoidance (pre-measured individual containers of frosting and sprinkles for each student.)
- Great Holiday Sing Along on December 21st. Holly Hamilton had a few fun additions this year.
- All books for book exchange (January 23 and 24th) have been pre-pulled and are on the stage.
- Talent Show went great!
- Red and green school spirit day was very colorful and fun!
- Overwhelmingly positive feedback from this year's Holiday Shoppe. We discussed ironing out the process for identifying scholarship need for Holiday Shoppe and also discussed the possible addition of a "make up" shopping day/time for Holiday Shoppe next year.
- Maker Space was the perfect location to hold it. We also brainstormed ways to more clearly identify (declination flyer done up in green?) children whose parents want to opt out of having them shop.
- When Penguin Patch supplies arrives next year the boxes can be put directly into the Maker Space room. Any PTO person can make a deposit mid day or end of day during Holiday Shoppe.

Faculty Report:

Nothing to report

District Parent Council:

Nothing to report (Melanie Borden was out of town and had to miss the Dec meeting)

Site Base Team Report from December 17th meeting:

- Denise reported that Dec. buddy day and cookie making was a great success. Possibility for June Buddy Day: Elmira Pioneers baseball team?
- Buddy Bench possibility for the CS playground.
- Possibility of the HHS Marching Band visiting for the arrival of 3rd and 4th grade students on testing day to cheer them on.
- Spring Teacher Training Day discussed
- Recycling bins being relocated due to limited parking spaces.
- The district replaced some promethean boards over the holiday break: now touch screen!

Treasurer's Report:

- Denise reported on income and expenses for the month of December.
- ELA testing snacks are all bought (April 3rd and 4th testing days.) We only need to purchase the bottled water.
- We briefly discussed 4th grade picnic plans. Tina Cicciarelli will chair the even with help from Amy Barr. Pavilion at Watkins reserved a year ahead of time.

Ongoing business/New business:

- Book exchange (update flyer: Melanie will make copies and distribute to mailboxes the week before.) Need for more chapter books (possible donations from Middle School students?)
- Passed a tentative vote (pending approval from Melissa Yearick) to re-sign with Penguin Patch for Holiday Shoppe for December 2019 by the end of this January. A discount is given if this is done.
- Party Central inflatables for Spring Carnival. We need to reach out to Party Central to let them know that the Spring Carnival date this year is Saturday March 30th, 12-3PM.
- Santa's visit to be on a Thursday again next year. Worked great for picture printing. Possibly correlate with red/green day next year.
- Melanie will reach out to Emily Ivansheck to discuss the possibility of participating in the boxed lunch/dinner fundraiser at Texas Roadhouse.
- Patti sent an email the day after the meeting to clarify Square One Art fundraiser dates:
Send out Artwork on 2/08
Order Packets arrive 2/27
Deadline for orders 3/13
- 2019 Gertrude Hawk Candy sale orders are due Friday February 22nd.
- Pickup for Gertrude Hawk candy: add an additional date besides Spring Carnival.
- Denise shared 4th grade picnic drop box notes with Tina.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:11 PM.