PTO Meeting Minutes 11/12/19

**In attendance:**Deb Lewis, Jill Ritchie, Colleen Miner, Erica Lombardo, Anoosheh Hamzehee, Holli Jacobson, Reanna Goodman, Jake Lau, Nika Schwarz, Nikki Johnson, Micah Johnson, Erin Janke, Becky Dasher

Meeting was called to order at 6:30 by Jill Ritchie

* **Introductions**
* **Treasurer’s Report-**Budget for the past 5 years, including fundraisers that Lakeshore has used. This will be used to determine future fundraisers. We had some issues with Club’s Choice fundraiser-website, increase price. Bring ideas to the next PTO meeting. Cherrydale & Hansen Foods.
* **Mini Grant requests-** Becky Dasher requests $150.00. Motion to put into the budget $300 per year to cover the cost and not to need to make a request every year. Approved.

Erin Janke requests $600.00 to make a Principal’s Art Gallery to go in the entryway. Jill Ritchie made a motion to offer $750.00. Approved.

* **Volunteer/Mrs. Lewis Discussion- We need to do something!** There is a need to take some of the load off of Mrs. Lewis. How can we get more parents involved? Some ideas are to make personal calls. Sending home paper flyers for signing up. We could have food available at the meetings. Maybe classroom teachers could send out a blurb to remind families. A suggestion that we have a large event specifically to inform families what PTO is about at the beginning of the year. Let parents know at the events what the PTO sponsors. We are looking into doing an event in December. We may send notifications to all students, not just one per family. Possibly add a raffle to encourage attendance at meetings.
* **Family Learning Day Recap Video**
* **Halloween Carnival Recap-** Student volunteers were uncertain about their volunteer time. Some issues with this year’s event were there was a sensory table without materials and we needed to fill them. Also, some gym items were taken without previous knowledge. Next year, we should send a list to those involved ahead of time. Maybe in March, event chairs can write up an event info folder/binder with specific instructions on items and where things are.
* **Holiday Event Discussion**
* **November Read & Feed-** a parent emailed to ask if we can do a Veteran related cause.
* **Staff Meals during Family-Teacher Conferences Recap-** soup was donated by Westside Bar & Grill. Staff appreciated the food. Parents are asked to pick up crock pots and dishes on Monday
* **Book Fair Recap- Erica Lombardo-** went well. Parents were very helpful. We earned $5,031 for Scholastic. $2,500 goes to the school. Volunteers were given a $5 coupon for working the bookfair.
* **Principal’s Report-**As a Tier II team, the school has been learning about being a Trauma sensitive school. Tier II Team have been working on family engagement. They used a survey for family engagement. It was a self evaluation that staff filled out about their own practices. In December, the team will be going back to staff to get ideas on how to improve on areas that scored lower.
* **Other**Did we hear back from Dr. Hardebeck about the Girl’s on the Run? The question is still waiting for a response from the School Board. Some discussions have been going on about how the term partnership is defined with groups that use school facilities.

Next PTO Meeting will be Dec. 10

Meeting adjourned at 7:35