

GPO Meeting Notes November 14, 2018

Attendance: Beth Vischer, Amy Bois, Lyn Cheney, Carol Stella, Sarah Gott, Molly Patrick, Alana Shrek, Carla Rice, Tammy Biron

Current Events:

- Original Artworks-Due this week.
- Book Leveling-Using room near kindergarten for books.
Needs wire racks. Vicky Canner said the racks that we have are 47" wide by 70" long. We could squeeze 2 into that room. If possible ask about adding "casters". Sears is going out of business and has some for \$100. Can we ask for a donation? Tamara said the A-D books were ordered.
- Making Faces "Live Merry Give Merry" 11/29 at 6:30-10% of sales going to GPO.

Looking ahead:

- Cyclefierce can be done in January. Amy will look into this.
- Italian night dinner-possibly have each class or grade do a basket instead of raffle items. At school or a restaurant?
- February 4th-babysitting for budget deliberations for the town. Find out the time of this meeting.
- Carla-Halloween: Most employees want to just include k-2 for the parade.
- Veteran's Day-Way too long. This was Sheila Pratt last year running the program. Will GPO take this on? Alana Schrek said she will help coordinate this. We will table this until next month.

Marketing:

- Amy-working on continued update of website. Make sure to send her any information we have for the principal newsletter.
- Continue to use Facebook to get things kick started for Month of Giving.

Financial Report:

- No major changes in the report.
- 2107-2018 taxes have been filed.

- Third bank account created-a money market for Amazon Smile.
- Certificate of Insurance-updated for GCS.
- Annual Report-file with the state-our expenses, our income, board members.
- Reading Resource fund is already 105% of budget. \$744 has been spent. Jen will talk to Karen about the Resource Fund.
- Mighty Nest-\$160 check received from them. If parents shop here they can set aside money for charities.
- Jen would like to go paperless for accounting. We all agreed.
- GPO has not moved any of the excess golf outing money into the endowment from the checking. Excess raised was \$4000. Voted to move the money.

Small Grants:

- Stacey Gosselin-\$50 Teacher Pays Teachers Alphabet wall, welcome sign, batteries, tape, adhesive strips. Approved

Followup Action:

- Business Sponsor template-Molly. Offer businesses the opportunity to be a sponsor. Gold, silver, bronze packages. What will be our visibility? Middle school sports banners, yearbook, GPO website? No MLMs. Continue discussion next meeting.
- Amazon Smile-Sarah will get it started and Amy will market it on Facebook.
- GPO Scholarship criteria-Sarah created new criteria for applicants. Sarah motioned to change and Molly seconded. 7 I's. Approved.

New Business:

- GPO Social-March-progressive parties-neighborhood, Throwback, Sysco Brewery, Stoneface, Thirsty Moose, Pease are different venues we can look into. Jen will head this up.
- Create step-by-step information on each event and what goes into it for the next group who takes it on. Ex. Italian Night, Box Tops, Month of Giving, Golf Outing, Kindergarten

- Playdate, Original Works, Veteran's Day Assembly and Food, Scholastic Book Fair, Staff Appreciation, Reading Carnival
- New Teacher Welcome-who's job should this be? President, Vice President? Continue at next meeting.
 - Mother/Son Event-What can we do? Flag football, Movie Night, Field Games, go to a local game-PHS or UNH Hockey. Will need a lot of volunteers. Continue discussion at next meeting.
 - Nurse Jackie-needs volunteers for December 10 screenings.

Fundraising Ideas:

- Tammy-Auctions-each class make an art project and a basket and raffle them off. Have the paintings on stationary so if people don't win they can buy stationary. \$2/ticket and drop them in your favorite basket, drawing for winner and have to be present. She will show us an example of a project that has been done before.
- Things the students can make to auction-paintings, tic-tac-toe game with painted rocks, table runners, Christmas tree skirts with hand prints.