

PTA Minutes 12-4-14

-Uniform Shirts®We currently have a stock of about 170 youth and 83 adult. Education Works is the front runner for choice of company to use next year. They are able to keep stock on hand, allow online orders, and should be more convenient for our school. We will continue the discussion at the next meeting as to how to phase out our stock on hand as we set up and move forward with a new company.

-Original Works®Our Original Works fundraiser has been a huge success again this year. The order has arrived and been distributed to the students. Thank you to all of our volunteers who helped with the organizing, packing, sorting, and distribution!

-Treasurer's Balance®Nov 1st beginning balance: \$16,192.77®Nov 30th ending balance: \$15,783.17

-Fall Festival®The Fall Festival fundraiser is designed to help the teachers raise money for their own classroom to spend on supplemental supplies or where they see fit for things that may have otherwise come out of their own pocket. The teachers would like to thank all of the volunteers who helped with planning, set up, ticket sales, and breakdown! The teachers also thanked us for the eating area in the center of the festival. We rented extra tables and chairs to allow families to sit and enjoy the snacks that some of the teachers were selling. ®The PTA rented a rockwall for the event. When it showed up, there was an unexpected issue that could have posed a danger. The company was not able to bring an immediate replacement so they have refunded our money and offered a free rental for a future event. This free rental will probably be rented for the Fun Run or for an end of school celebration.

-Renovations®We have extensive renovations in the works that will include electrical upgrades, new tile and windows in some rooms, painting, and the PTA's beautification project (replanting planters). Mrs. Higa has insisted that all painting be done during school breaks

because of fumes so this will be done a little bit at a time. During the office renovation, the office staff will move to the cafeteria and students will be eating lunch in classrooms. This is expected to occur from mid January to mid February. ☺We will also be receiving portables to help with the huge growth in our school population. We are expecting a total of 4 portables by June. These portables may be used for classrooms, STEM, supplemental staff, etc.

-Teacher Luncheon☺Due to our packed calendar, the Teacher's Luncheon has been moved up to Wednesday. This will allow teachers to eat together after school instead of in short shifts and they will be able to enjoy leftovers. Please bring food in a disposable dish or label dish with your name and contact information so it may be returned before Winter Break. Please drop off donations to the office. Thank you for all of your generosity!☺We have voted to spend \$75 on meats for the luncheon. Sarah will cook the ham and Angie will cook the turkey.

-Movie Night☺December 19th. Movie will be "How to Train your Dragon 2". Popcorn will be popped ahead of time. If you have volunteered to help with popcorn, please meet by the office at 8am on the 19th. Set up will be from 5pm-5:30. Farrah Champion has volunteered to handle the flyers and ordering of pizza. ☺We need plates, drink pouches, and bottled water. If you would like to donate any of these items, they can be dropped off in the blue PTA basket in the office.

-Goody Bags☺The PTA goody bags that have previously been passed out as prizes or gifts have been a huge hit with the students. PTA will be giving a goody bag to each student before Winter Break. Kathy has volunteered to put these together.

-Landscape Improvements☺We have \$500 from School Mall that will be used for outdoor improvements. The money may be put toward the pergola area and replanting the planters. This project will be postponed until renovations are done and we have access to the pergola area.

-Field Trip Buses®As we have talked and asked about ways we can donate our money to benefit every student, the price of field trips has been brought up. We have been asked if we would like to make a donation to cover part of the cost of bus transportation for a field trip. This would lower the cost of the field trip for every student. We will continue the conversation next month.

The next PTA meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 15th at 1:00pm