February 6th 2017 PTO meeting minutes

In attendance: Stefanie Gagnon, Tara Lameroux, Joe Miller, Jen Degrandi, Vickie Robertson, Katie Niemiec, Sherry Rice, Stephanie Dimauro, Erin Kelly, Danielle McCorkel, Cassandra Frascadore, Melissa Urranaga

Welcome/call to order: 6:34

Old business: January meeting minutes, no changes, corrections or additions noted

New business:

Staff representatives: 3rd grade- in math students are working on area and perimeter and they are working on their WIN blocks. The students are also working on time. There is testing coming up in the spring for SBAC, NWEA computer tests. The students reading and writing blocks continue. There is an animal unit coming up with compare and contrast and the students will do a presentation on a google slideshow. The teachers have asked for funding for teachers pay teachers gift cards as well as rolling carts to store math games and supplies. They want to create math tool kits in their classroom. There is also a book request from a 3rd grade teacher. The motion was approved unanimously.

Amy Fitzgerald YMCA- Berlin, Meriden, New Britain

The YMCA is doing express registration for camp on March 4th at the Berlin ymca. There are discounts available. They will have a musical theater camp and they will have a robotic camp. There will be a show in the evening at the mountain mist venue for the theater camp. They will also have baseball, basketball and soccer camps. There will be some new bus options available. New cooking class at 362 main st. and new STEM class starting at Willard on Monday's from 3:30-4:45.

Principal update:

Dr. Correia and Mrs. Hammond are attending the CAS art and music awards tonight at the Aqua Turf. Mr. Kulak, Mrs. Gemmell, Mrs. Lawson and Mrs. Vernon also are attending and presenting two fifth grade students with these awards.

5th grade party:

question: looking for date/venue so that they book it on the calendar for June. The 5th grade committee would like the party to be onsite at Willard. There is no date set yet.

Treasurer's report: Joe Miller presented his treasurer's report for the month.

Committee Updates:

Cub Scouts-pinewood derby on Saturday, blue and gold is in process. Graduating scouts went camping this past weekend. Pack meeting 2/27. All the dens are progressing well and moving to the next rank.

Box tops-Collection will end February 8th. All box tops have to be mailed by March 1st.

Carnival-looking at date April 21st.

Book fair- Dana Borges cannot do the spring book fair. She is putting paperwork into the board of ed and can arrange. She cannot be here the entire week. The book fair is conference week, 3/13-3/16. The PTO is looking for someone to physically work the book fair. Erin Kelly may be able to be here the whole week.

Fundraising-new company. Bleeb, bulbs, cinnamon rolls, snacks. This fundraiser will run 3/14-3/28.

New Britain bees- June 9th, \$8 tickets. 5th graders singing national anthem.

Spirit Wear-Spirit wear will be in a few weeks

Pasta Supper- 89 raffle prizes, ticket sales ongoing. Sold 86 tickets so far, about 30 parents and students are signed up to volunteer.

School store- Melissa Urranaga is going to work on investigating a school store

Staff appreciation- Erin Kelly, Tara Lameroux will do staff appreciation

Stop and Shop-membership ongoing

5th grade-Upcoming Events: Pasta Supper February 23rd Bill's night -April 11 Bee's game June 9th

Next PTO meeting March 6th

Meeting adjourned:7:55p