**Dublin PTA Meeting Minutes**

**November 8, 2023**

**Attending members**: Stevie Barry, Rachel Heater, Monica Anglin, Lindsey Banes, Jennifer Bennett, Kristin Perusse, Danielle Bigi, Betsy Faustyn, Ashley Valentine, Lindsey Mack, Julie Hamann, Danielle Kraft, Megan Youns, Wendy Schutlz, Jason Schultz, Elizabeth Cairo, Mimi Curlee, Shawn Curlee.

**Time Called to Order**: 7:02 PM

**Board Introductions**

**Review of meeting minutes** from November 2023.

* + Motion to Approve: Kristin Perusse
	+ Second: Ashely Valentine

**Treasurer Report**: Lindsey Banes

* + Benstein adjustment from $200 to $50 on the balance sheet.
	+ Motion to approve: Monica Anglin
	+ Second: Ashley Valentine

**Fundraising:** Heather Medrano via Zoom

* + The budget is covered for this year due to fundraising efforts from the color run, no additional fundraising is needed.
	+ We raised an additional $20,000. Asked for ideas on how to utilize funds.
	+ Urban Air night is 12/12

**Dining Nights**: Kristin Perusse

* + Two Leo’s Coney Island nights, Jimmy Johns and Hungry Howies --$180.
	+ Pita Way offered us three nights from 4-7.
	+ 11/21 and 12/19 are upcoming Hungry Howies nights.

**Membership Update**: Jennifer Bennett

* + 141 Members
	+ Ms. Nichols class wins the cider and donut incentive.
	+ November incentive: Ice Cream Party
	+ The incentive for 1st class to reach 100% is ongoing.

**Special Committees:** Rachel Heater

* Pour Paint class: we had 60 kids sign up.

 Need to increase the budget to $150 for additional supplies.

 Asking parents to sign up to help students.

 **Motion to Approve**: All yays, no nays.

 **Reflections**: Stevie Barry and Sarah Thomas, Co-Chair

* Deadline to sign up: 11/10. Only a few submissions but hopefully to have more by Friday.

\*\*Still in need of a chair for Rolladium nights: Theme for January “Ringing in the New Year.”

**Principal’s Report**: Danielle Bigi

* Teams are starting.
* Food drive for White Lake Fire Department.
* 12/14 Parent-teacher conferences.

**Teachers Report**: Julie Hammon

**JK:** A field trip to the outdoor center is coming up. Wrapped up learning about spiders and pumpkins. Lead explorations.

 **Kindergarten:** Very busy with letter sounds and letter studies, learning pointer finger for pattern recognition, completed first personal narrative, and will have author celebration. Working on a Thanksgiving program for parents.

 **First**: Starting science unit on space systems. Vising the planetarium at Cranbrook at the end of the month. Introduced classroom incentives for completing IREADY reading and math lessons in class.

 **Second:** Learning how to revise writing, they also have a field trip to the outdoor center coming up. Excited for the book vending machine.

 **Third:** Learned about crayfish and are almost ready to goodbye to them. Studying state government in preparation for their Lansing field trip next week. Started non-fiction units.

 **Fourth:** Had an in-school field trip called “Bugs on Wheels”. A parent who is a firefighter came in to talk to the students about fire safety awareness.

 **Fifth**: A NASA representative, who is also a former WL teacher, came in to do a presentation on the solar system. Finished their first book club and are working on presentations to share with their classmates.

**Presidents Report**: Rachel Heater

* Starting a committee to develop a plan and budget for the “track funds”. This committee will be referred to as the STRUCTURED SPENDING COMMITTEE (SSC).
* LAYA (Lakes Area Youth Association) is partnering with area PTA’s to adopt families for the holiday season. PTA will provide a sign-up genius for the membership/Dublin community to purchase items for the wish lists of the kids provided by LAYA. Any items not purchased by the due date will be purchased by the PTA.

 Motion to Approve: All Yays. No Nays.

**New Business**:

 Marie Dismondy, a local author who wrote “Spaghetti in a Hot Dog Bun” will be coming in to host an assembly for each grade. The theme is ‘Positive Self Talk’. Each class will receive a hardcover book and softcover books will be donated to the library. This is covered with our assembly budget line item.

Raffle Winner-Dublin Spirit Wear Shirt- Megan Young. **Meeting Adjourned:** 7:39 PM