

**Hello and Welcome!**

Review of meeting norms – Engage in Honest and Respectful Discussion, With Intent to Understand, Start and End on Time and Introduce a Timekeeper, Enough-Let's Move On, Fist To Five when voting.

**Guest Speaker Rebecca Dockery and Amber Brown, Girls Scout Leaders**

o Rebecca and Amber have kids in troops, there are Daisy (K-1), Brownies (2-3), and Juniors (4-5) troops available to join and they have joined with Craig Elementary. Girls Scouts teaches kids many different skills and builds confidence. The troops have fun as well as work toward badges, and are always accepting new members.

**Ross Administrative Team Update**

- o Ross Earth Day grounds clean up will be April 22, look for timing for each grade level and RSVP to Sara Kelly.
- o There is a school art show coming up on April 27.
- o Outdoor Movie Night & Book Fair will take place on May 13, book fair will be in the library and will close before movie begins. Please register for the movie, we have a limited capacity, bring your own blankets, chairs, and snacks, PTO will provide popcorn.
- o Keep checking the Principal Newsletter for all community events and school information.

**President and Co-President Update**

- o Thank you to all volunteers, we appreciate all that you do!
- o Reach out to President email to volunteer as an Executive Board Member, Position Chair/Co-Chair, or to add you name to the list of volunteers.
- o We will have our Volunteer Luncheon coming up in May, so if you volunteered at an event this year and have not received information yet, please let us know.
- o Outdoor Movie Night is May 13 and families need to register for the event due to limited capacity. Please go to the Ross website under Parents under Ross PTO under Upcoming Events to click the link to register for the movie, or find the registration link in Dr Cunningham's Principal Newsletter. This event is free and you will bring your own blankets, chairs, and snacks. If the weather is bad, we will move into the gyn for the event.
- o For the auction we raised \$2718! We did really great and had a wonderful turn out with 82 items this year.

**Vice President and Co-Vice President Update**

- o Volunteers are needed to fill Chairs, Co-Chairs, and help at events. Please consider signing up to be part of the PTO for the 2022-2023 school year!

### **Secretary and Co-Secretary Update**

- The PTO Spring Newsletter is posted at the school bulletin board in the vestibule for all to read, as well as on the Ross Elementary School website under Parents> Ross PTO> Newsletters, on the Ross Northstars PTO facebook page and in Dr Cunningham's Principal Newsletter. Thank you, Dr. Cunningham and Mr. Cohee, for posting all PTO information on different platforms to be available for all
- Spiritwear is always available at 1<sup>st</sup> Place Spiritwear .com, right now they have new "Class Of" tshirts on the website! This company is also a fundraising kickback for Ross and as of April, we have fundraised about \$300 from the sale of spiritwear!
- Parkway Pantry Food Drive will be April 24-29 and the Pantry is asking for the following, kids' toothpaste, jars of pasta sauce red and white no glass jars, snack packs of all kinds for example gold fish, peanut butter crackers, laundry detergent, chex mix, fruit snacks, cereal, popcorn, etc. Full list and how to donate via Paypal is posted on the Ross Northstars PTO facebook page as well as Dr Cunningham's Principal Newsletter and Ross Elementary website
- Restaurant Nights have been a success this year! We wrapped up Lions Choice and McAlisters with over \$100 at each restaurant, Jet's Pizza will be all day on May 4<sup>th</sup> and concluding Ross Restaurant Nights will be Dairy Queen on June 2 from 1PM-8PM!
- We have done a Teacher Treat each month for teachers and staff at Ross which included Coffee & Bagels, Favorite Beverages, Healthy Snacks, Thank You Notes, as well as catering their Parent/Teacher Conferences back in November. We hope to continue these monthly small treats to show our appreciation for all the hard work they do!
- Teacher Appreciation Week is MAY 2-6 and we will start off the week with Chalk the Walk on the school walkway May 1 from 3-6, stop by and write kind words and draw some fun things in chalk to surprise them when they arrive Monday morning! Remind your child to write or draw a little note for their grade level teacher as well as specials teachers, counselors, and any other teachers they interact with throughout the day as a nice little thank you. We will bring in a chocolate extravaganza for teachers during the week for their treat this month.

### **Treasurer and Co-Treasurer Update**

- TEACHER GRANT FUND - We have spent \$389.98 / \$1500 so far this year. We have received nearly \$675 of grants in donations from parents!! We have \$592.58 in requests outstanding. We have a \$1500 swing request in the works
- Purple Envelope – came in \$800.00 over budget / raised \$2,316.00
- Restaurant Nights – came in \$6818
- ACTUAL v BUDGETED- Budgeted Income: \$6,000.00, Budgeted Expenses: \$6850.00 (includes increase of \$750 on grants). Actual Income: \$6,818.94, Actual Expenses: \$3,031.44
- Remaining Events- Volunteer Appreciation: \$350.00. Staff Appreciation: \$574.13 remaining (as of 4/11). Spring Event: \$150 (movie night). Teacher Grant Funds: \$1,110.02 - next EC meeting to decide. 5th Grade Moving up: \$500.00
- Proposed Budget for 2022-23 School Year Review - Expected Income: \$8,475.00, Expected Expenses: \$8,100.00. First year of budget planning with full in person school in 2 years

- Don't forget the easy ways to donate - Amazon Smiles, eScript at Schnucks, Box Tops, PayPal Recurring donations (even \$5 per month helps!)
- Vote on Budget, all in favor. Budget passes

### **Discussion and Wrap Up**

- Time to vote on incoming Ross PTO Executive Board - Bridget Wildschuetz for President, Marlo Hendricks for Co-President, Cierra Marshall for Vice President, Heather Simpson for Co-Vice President, Chrisanne Craig for Secretary, Brittany Morgan for Co-Secretary, Jenn Crow for Treasurer, Michele Everett for Co-Treasurer. Motion to vote, a second, all passes. Welcome all new EC Members!
- Unicorn has become the PTO mascot and needs a name, maybe she can walk the hallways of school in June for fun the last week of school! It's a great reminder, kids see her and tell their parents there is something PTO going on the day they see her!
- Spirit Week is coming up, more information will come out soon
- Spin the wheel for door prizes – Lion's Choice ice cream tokens goes to Todd, Chipotle coupon gift cards goes to Meredith, Jet's Pizza gift card goes to Jennedy!

**Thank you all for attending out last PTO general meeting! Have a great remainder of the school year and a wonderful summer!**