## 1/17/24 PTO Meeting Minutes (Virtual)

- Treasurer Update
  - \$18,179.35 in checking
  - \$17,260.37 in savings
  - Wintergrams sold approximately 140
  - Holiday craft club approximate 45 sign ups
  - After school enrichment winter session brought in \$3,600 in venmo, more money at school waiting to be picked up still
- Upcoming event ideas
  - Community involvement activity in February
    - Suggestions included card making, or letter writing for places like Meals on Wheels (Jenn Harvey to provide contact info to Sara), buddy up with different grade levels, partner with community (Tricia to take to building planning committee), possible Amazon wishlist for supplies
  - Suggestions for Holiday season next year
    - Family event to make seasonal craft (parents and kids attend together)
    - Gingerbread house making event
    - Seek more specific activities or crafts for different holidays celebrated amongst our students
  - Stuff the Gator event
    - Would have 2 dates for students/parents to sign up for
    - Lia to get contact info for stuffed gator supplies
  - Race 4 Education
    - Jenn Harvey to look into further (Sara to provide Jenn with any necessary info)
    - Any costs associated with program??
    - Cody's assistance would be required
  - Carnival Date set as 5/31/24 with rain date of 6/7/24
    - Rain date means some rentals would not be available and loss of deposit
    - Lia's husband to look into and build splash tower in lieu of dunk tank
- Square One Art project has begun in the art classrooms
- Teacher/Staff Appreciation week
  - Amazon wishlist to restock teacher lounge
  - Idea to collect money for giftcards for teacher/staff
    - Dunkin, Starbucks, Target, Walmart, Bruegger's, Core, Jersey Mike's
- Teacher appreciation Ideas

- Lanyards Hannah offered to make these
- Looking for more suggestions for needs from teachers (building wide), anything needed for the teacher lounge?? – all suggestions should be emailed to Sara
- After School enrichment update
  - o Going well, lower enrollment for lacrosse than other programs
  - Winter profit of \$1,894 (karate donated 100% of their portion back to the PTO)
  - Need solution for families unable to enroll due to financial hardships
    - Scholarship program, raffle system
  - Next session to be posted to parent square the same time as Facebook, so Facebook users do not get faster access to popular programs (some filled up very quickly)
  - Suggestion that students enrolling for the first time get priority over students who have participated in program in the past
  - Suggestion to post flyer out to parents before sign ups begin, give them a chance to discuss with student
- No Yearbook updates
- No current teacher requests
  - o Request coming for PARP program and books for each grade level
- Public Relations update
  - Need more teachers to submit bios for "Meet the Teacher"
  - Suggestions of other things to post to gain followers
    - Lunch menus each month
    - Coloring contest
    - Post asking for photo of families doing specific activities (ie building snowmen, sledding, etc) to create sense of community
  - Teachers sending photos into the district, please also send to PTO to be shared on our local page as well

Next meeting to be held on February 28th at 6pm