

Jefferson School PTO Minutes

October 20th, 2021

Board Members in Attendance: Laurie Boe, Lesia Malli, Dana Pergola,
Meg Gehrmann, Penny Buccheri, Laura Toth, Dr. Droske

The Meeting (in person and via zoom) was called to order at 7:36 by Laurie Boe followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

- o **Minutes Accepted:** Kelly Bosgra & Tara Oostdyk
- o **Treasury Report:** We have \$14,967.88
- o **Correspondence:** Thank you cards from 3rd graders for the recorders
- o **Principal's Report**
 - o Making progress with routines – still some new adjustments. For example – one grade added 10 minutes of outside time to support student's needs.
 - o Orton Gilligham trained to assist with interventions. Currently about 75 students being supported
 - o In addition, pull out support starts in November – have been doing push in to assess student's needs.
 - o Very close to finishing media room.
 - o Replacing exterior windows – part of referendum
 - o Staffing shortage – lack of paras in preschool classroom – exploring other opportunities – only one active substitute.
 - o Halloween parade 10/29 and outdoor dance/social
- o **SEPAC** – still collecting pull tabs – 10/27 next meeting
- o **HEF** – Raffle soon
- o **Committee Reports**
 - o **Membership Drive** – Jenn Lorper: Directory in works – should have by November
 - o **Grade Parents** – Meeting after PTO meeting – collecting class donations
 - o **Book Fair:** Thank you to all the volunteers – it was a success – made, \$1,694
 - o **Save Around Books:** closed out
 - o **Square One:** Thanks to all the volunteers. Children's work was all sent out and delivered to UPS. Should be receiving catalogs to shop children's work by Nov. 5th
 - o **Box Tops:** Download App on your phone – scan receipts to gather box top dollars & help the school earn money. No more clipping.
 - o **Fall Festival/Movie Night** – Big success – profit \$2,149.97
 - o **Spirit Wear:** - Should be in by mid-November
 - o **Teachers Giving Tree** – Still taking donations
 - o **STEAM to Go** – no updates
 - o **Curious Reader** – Bookstore in Glenrock – the couple who owns it is from Hawthorne. Drop the name "Jefferson" when shopping to get % back to the school to purchase books and fill in gaps of teacher's libraries.
 - o **Students Change Hunger** – Website up – Goal is \$1,000

- o **Halloween Dance** – 10/29 4-5:30 – not a drop off event – send in \$ & registration form – Outdoors
- o **Dr. Droske Halloween Costume Guess** – Contest/fundraiser
- o **Teacher Appreciation Lunch** – November 12th – outside under tent – Brownstone catering – Theme is “We Think the World of You”
- o **Dinner Dance** - 3/11 – collecting baskets and wine
- o **Yearbooks:** Nothing yet. Grade parents please take and share photos with Tara from the year. Email to Tara jeffersonyearbookpictures@gmail.com

- o **New Business**
 - o **Teacher Wish List** start up cash will be available through the 1st marking period
 - o **2 extra tables** were purchased for main entrance patio – won’t arrive till mid-December due to shipment and inventory issues.
 - o **Minted Fundraising Program** -Carrie Melbourne (not a meeting – more info to come)

***Grad opening for media center – Will start planning**

Motion to adjourn: Tara Oosdtyk & Jenn Lorper