

McDole Elementary School PTO – Minutes

Action Items in *Red*

Date: September 22, 2020

Called to Order: 7:06pm

Attendees: Jen Kmiec, Jen Crocker, Bridget Hagspihl, Jenn Schlipp, Christine Simmons, Jake Countryman, and several others via Facebook Live. The Board Member Zoom screen was live streamed on the PTO Facebook page. (19 zoom participants)

Welcome and Introductions

2020-2021 PTO Board:

- Jennifer Kmiec – President
- Bridget Hagspihl – Vice President
- Christine Simmons – Treasurer
- Jennifer Crocker – Assistant Treasurer
- Jennifer Schlipp – Secretary

Treasurer's Report

- Jen C. shared the Budget for 2020-2021 School Year
 - Many budget items have been changed compared to last year due to limited fundraising this year. The budget is a net difference of negative \$13,000 which is a worst case scenario. The budget will primarily be covered by PTO savings this year.
- Jen K motioned to approve the Treasurer's Report; Jen C seconded; all agreed.

Directory

- Must log in and update your child's info each year with current teacher

Teacher Favorites Survey

- Teacher's survey are updated and available. You can see their likes and favorites on our website mcdolepto.org. Not just teachers, all staff members. Jake is going to ensure the remote teachers get the survey.

Committee Reports

- Family Fun Nights -
 - Pumpkins - in lieu of Halloween party, PTO is purchasing pumpkins for every student at McDole. Hybrid students will be able to take pumpkins home with them from school. Remote students will be able to pick their pumpkin up. Being delivered Oct. 5th. Hybrid will take home possibly 5th & 6th.
 - Pumpkin Contest - use pumpkins to decorate and participate in Virtual pumpkin decorating contest. We'll provide various options to submit pictures, so everyone can participate. We are going to ask for pictures by Oct 16th. Voting will be Oct. 19th -23rd.
- Dining Nights Out -
 - JB's - had mobile truck, made \$55
 - Lou Malnati's - Oct. 6th - options are Oswego, Aurora on Orchard, and Naperville

- Spirit Wear- Lorinda
 - Deadline is Sept. 27th. Using Imagination Print and Design.
- Yearbook - will be available to order soon. Will be announced. Early bird discount of 10%
- Teacher Conference Dinner - Candice Tinson
 - This year's conferences will be either zoom or by phone. Teachers are still working through the details (TBD)
 - Details of arranging Teacher's Dinner (must be pre-packaged) will be revisited once the details of the conferences are decided.

New Business

- Shields Reimbursement- vote to approve reimbursement to John Shields. Miss Van Bogaert was originally sent to John Shield Elem. they gave her money for supplies, she brought those supplies back to McDole with her. So John Shields PTO is requesting we reimburse them the \$300.
 - Jen K motioned to reimburse JS for reimbursement, Jen C seconded; all agreed.
- Staff Requests
 - Library - Miss Chumbly would like to request money to purchase books for the library reading contest. Because there was no bookfair, there was no proceeds to use for library supplies. She is requesting this support from PTO. Contest is avail. to remote kids also, there is an area in the lobby set up for supply pick up. Request for \$300.
 - Because there is no fall fundraiser, PTO needs to stick to budget as best as possible. PTO has budgeted \$250. Mr. Countryman will try to find funds to assist with the remaining amount.
 - Jen K motioned to approve \$250 for books for the library, Bridget seconded; all agreed.
- Talent Show
 - looking for someone tech savvy to volunteer to chair this. It would include collecting a lot of videos and submitting and then this person would compile the talent show via video submission.
 - If you are interested please let PTO know you'd like to chair.
- Jake - ipads are coming in very handy, much appreciated. Morning Announcements are getting filmed and put out on FB. If fully remote you can watch and eventually remote kids will be incorporated into this.
- FB Question - can parents voluntarily support library money raising for additional funds?
 - Jake - can set up link to buy books direct and donate to library. There is parent / community interest in this, Jake will follow up once money is determined.

Important Links:

- Directory: <https://mcdolepto.ptboard.com/> School Code: UU8FKG
- Online Reimbursement Request Form: <https://www.mcdolepto.org/#/reimbursement-requests/>
- McDole Staff Favorites Survey: <https://www.mcdolepto.org/#/favorites/>
- PTO Website: <http://www.mcdolepto.org/>
- PTO Bylaws and Volunteer Code of Conduct: <https://www.mcdolepto.org/aboutus>
- PTO Facebook Page: Search "McDole PTO" in Facebook to view or to be added to the group.
- Kaneland Calendar: <http://www.kaneland.org/calendar>

The meeting adjourned at **7:35 pm.**

Next Meeting: Tuesday, October 20th virtually - 7pm Zoom, live stream to PTO FB page.