

North Cape PTO Minutes
September 4th, 2019
North Cape School Library
3:45 PM

Attendance: Katie Wollermann, Mandy James, Rebecca Shuman, Shannon Ehnert, Amanda Dales, Tracey Schaal, Katie Freimark, Jenny Niski, Jessica Harris, Ashley Lentz, Laura Sabo, Rebecca Karczewski, Dawn Menken, Stacey TenBrink

- **Minutes-** Minutes were emailed from the last meeting in August. There were no questions.
- **Treasurer's Report-** The yearbook bill came since the last meeting in August. We also had some sunshine money go through for gifts for a students overnight hospital stay, and the passing of the lunch lady Karen.
- **Scrip-** Jenny has a letter to go home regarding Scrip. There is a credit card option now, but there is a small fee involved. Jenny will try to have information at Open House for anyone that is interested in getting their accounts set up. The first order will be due the second week of October.
- **Box Tops-** Box Tops will not need to be clipped anymore. You are now able to just take a picture of your receipt using their app. Through the app it automatically links it to our North Cape account. The only drawback is that you have to enter them into the app within two weeks. We are still able to collect clipped box tops until their expiration date.

Old business

- **Teacher's in-service lunch-** Teachers and staff was super appreciative of the lunch. During the day PTO also delivered the school supply boxes to the students classrooms. There were no hiccups and things went well.
- **PTO Information Table at Meet & Greet-** Lots of people visited the table. The most common feedback that was received was that when families get the PTO emails they feel uncomfortable helping when they aren't able to attend the monthly meetings to get to know those involved. Just reminding other families that we have stuff on Facebook, the school website, and that they are welcome to come to our events. Having our information out at Open House will be helpful too.
- **Event Dates Handout-** Handout was passed out during the meeting. We are able to change dates as we move through the year if needed. In the next few weeks this list will go home with students to make families aware of what to expect this year. Adding the dates to the Facebook page where people can mark that they are coming and then get a reminder would be helpful.
- **Event Sign-Up to Lead Events Handout-** There are only a few spots left on the sign-up sheet for things that we weren't sure about yet.. (Valentines Carnation Sale & Citizenship Award) If you've signed up to lead any of the events you are responsible for scheduling any extra meetings needed and to find volunteers that might be needed.
- **Snack Cart, volunteer signup; begins 9/11-** Starting next Wednesday. Christine Csepella is taking the lead on the snack cart. There is a good size group of volunteers to help each week. Snacks were purchased today and prices will remain at 50 cents. An email reminder for parents would be helpful.
- **Icy Pops handed out Friday 8/30-** After going through the freezer there were a ton of Icy

Pops found. The extras were handed out during lunch and the kids were super happy about the special treat after the first week of school.

New Business

- **Spirit Wear**– Stacey is hoping to get everything finalized in the coming weeks. We are going to place orders online through Ruma this year. The company we used last year wasn't working as well as we had hoped. Through Ruma we can do everything online which will eliminate order form confusion and dealing with money involved. Something should be able to go home soon and orders can be placed online for a few weeks.
- **Ice Cream Social (Open House 9/16)** – A Google Doc will be sent out looking for help with serving ice cream at Open House. There will be a few different shifts so that volunteers are still able to visit their students classrooms as well.
- **September Movie Night– Aladdin (9/13) Adjusted to work around WHS Homecoming**– Dates were switched to accommodate WHS Homecoming. North Cape usually has a float and many students like to participate in those events. We were able to clean out most of our snacks, so we're starting fresh this year. Thinking to phase out juice boxes and stick with Gaterade, water, and soda.
- **Color-a-thon (9/29)**– Kickoff held yesterday afternoon with the students went well. The online account creation option was very easy and can be shared with family and friends quickly. The last time we did the event we earned around \$4,000 and this year we are hoping to reach our goal of \$7,000. Not many volunteers are needed, but Amy will send out a sign-up sheet for that help. It was talked about whether the fundraiser is for the general PTO fund or if we wanted a specific category to use the funds for. After some discussion it was decided that the fundraiser money should be used for playground enhancements, possibly including a GaGa Ball Pit for the playground. Katie Freimark made the motion to use the funds for playground enhancements. Jenny Niski seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion was carried.
- **Fall Fest/Trunk or Treat– Katie F. for trucks & Jen & Stacey for chili cookoff**– Planning meeting will be Wednesday, September 11th, 6:30 PM at Stacey's house. Stacey will send an email with details.
- **October Open Gym Date (10/11)**– Moved to Friday, October 11th.
- **Mother/Son Event (11/17)– Skyzone or something else?**– Jessica contacted SkyZone, StoneFire and a few other places. Everything was around \$15 per person, which was pretty pricey. Discussion was held about different options that might be a possibility instead of bowling. Mini golf, kickball, renting out a theater and a few other options were thrown out. It was decided to come back to the various ideas in the spring.
- **Directory**– Tracey will send out the slips for the school directory. One per family will go home at no charge.

Next meeting:
Wednesday, October 9th.
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