

Minnewashta Elementary PTO Meeting Minutes August 29, 2017

6:30 p.m. to 7:50 p.m.

PTO Present: Melissa Uittenbogaard, Victoria York, , Barb Seifert. Andrea Back, Erin Nelson, Cindy Address (principal),

PTO ABSENT: Brandi Virgin, Carrie Allarding, Rachel Turnbull, Erin Marasco

Melissa Uittenbogaard called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

I. Welcome and introductions, Melissa Uittenbogaard

Motion: Melissa Uitenbogaard moved to approve May minutes. Motion carried without dissent.

II. Carrie Allarding, Volunteer Co-Cordinater (Absent)

We are in need of volunteers for the beginning of the school year. Still need volunteers for:

*Bus Help (first two weeks of school) Lead Person - Betsy Lindgren

*Lunch room helpers (first two week of school) Lead Person - Vicki York

*Back to School Social (September 9th) Lead People - Jenny Shwago and Mary Tilter

An email with a sign up genius has been sent to all Minnewashta families. We are really short on bus help. Even signing up for one shift will make a difference to our students.

There are other opportunities to get involved as well

At the district level:

- * Case Liaison
- * District Speaker Representative
- * Dream Makers Representative

Within Minnewashta:

- * Tonka Green Representative
- * Tonka Pride Team Member
- * Book Fair Team Member
- * PTO Board

III. Erin Nelson, Co-Treasurer,

Erin presented the budget . The numbers are basically the same for this school year.

Two budget requests have been updated since our August meeting.

- School Psychologist request \$150.00 for school support
- Special Ed increase to \$400.00

Melissa Uitenbogaard moved to approve Treasurer's report. Motion carried without dissent.

IV. Barb Seifert, Fundraising

Boosterthon:

A flyer was sent to each Minnewashta family regarding this event. The Boosterthon Fun Run is a fundraising program that lasts about nine days and consists of four main parts:

- * Pep Rally (scheduled for September 12th)
- * Team Huddles
- * Fun Run
- * Collection

The program is designed to make it hassle free for school staff as they have their own staff that work the run. It lifts the burden off the parents by using their powerful pledging tool to reach sponsors far outside your network. Barb did a great job in procuring ten corporate sponsors.

V. Cindy Andress, Principal

Cindy has been working very hard this summer to improve the school playground. The playground has already been repainted and refurbished. It will be installed in two phases. The first installation will begin in October.

VI. Melissa Uitenbogaard,

Discussed inviting parent friends to attend the PTO meetings Also, the need to recruit PTO help/position and volunteers for school events.

Meeting adjourned 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Vicki York, Secretary.