**Fry Elementary PTA Minutes**

**October 11th, 2019**

Meeting called to order by President Jennifer Nied at 9:35 am**.**

**Minutes of last meeting approved.**

**Treasures Report**

**Presented by Lisa Mastin**

* $10,000 reserve for safe keeping
* Line item added for cash reserves.
* Motion to approve the budget as proposed by Heather Johnson.
* Budget approved by all present.
* School apparel still left over
* Last year’s 5th grade party bus fee shows as an expense on the budget
* $744 came back from Shane’s school supply kits

**Box Tops**

**Chair: Melissa Allsteadt**

* 4A is in the lead
* A raffle basket during Bingo night to encourage app download
* 1341 boxtops collected so far

**Principals Report**

* End of the first quarter is 10/18. Reports cards will be in Home Access 10/25
* AIMS Assessment information is now in Home Access. These are the benchmark comparisons representing a moment in time for your student. The reports give you national percentile comparison for ELA/Math. Student complete the AIMS benchmarking in Fall/Winter/Spring.
* IAR (Illinois Assessment of Readiness) reports will come home with 4th and 5th graders today. These results focus on your student’s level of Reading and Math proficiency, as assessed last spring.
* Parent Teacher Conferences will be held the evening of Thursday Nov 21st (regular school day) and all-day Monday Nov 25th (8:00-8:00 no school). Sign-ups will once again be completed on-line through Power PTC.
* Fry School won $1,000 from the IPEF by having the most student runners in the kids marathon (34)! We will likely put that toward our riser replacement fund.
* A reminder to use PTA Monday announcements to provide information to the community. Facebook and other methods should be secondary/reminder based.
* Veteran’s Day assembly will be held on Nov 12th
* Staff Thanksgiving food drive will take place for 4 days during the month of November

**Presidents Report**

**Presented by: Jennifer Nied**

* District Superintendent search continues
* District wide survey had 1200 responses

Key district strengths: Strong Parent Support, Diversity, Reputation, Financially responsible

 Concerns: Class sizes, Vaping, Achievement Gap

* E-learning days to promote continuity of instruction, set school calendar to avoid emergency days, model learning anywhere and anytime approach
* Reflections entries due Oct 29th

**Membership**

**Chair: Stacy Nevins**

* Data collection for the directory is done
* Kids can send in designs for cover page
* Only half the families participated in the data collection drive, so it needs to be refigured for next year
* $200 members hub fee if the directory needs to be restricted to PTA members only

**Foxtober**

**Chair: Heather Johnson**

* Last day for T-shirt donations
* Chipotle night raised $230
* $6062 donations received
* Next fundraising night at Oberweis on Oct 24th and 20% sales come back to PTA

**Community Service**

**Chair: Melissa Wesling**

* 41 bags collected for the coat drive
* Lots of snow pants and jackets for the social workers
* Candy drive at school on Nov 1st
* Card drive for cancer patients

**Bingo**

**Chair: Alison Schnake**

* Bingo Night is Oct 23rd and two cards per person allowed

**FFUN**

**Chair: Kate Hamad**

* FFUN is on Dec 10th
* Theme of the night is Holidays/ Celebrations
* Looking for volunteers to setup booths

**Walk to School**

**Chair: Violeta Pacheo**

* Successfully arranged by Violeta, good turnout despite the rain.

**Meeting adjourned at 10:20 am.**