

Cross Timbers PTO Meeting minutes October 20, 2022

- Welcome and Call to order 10:00am – Jennifer Bruns
- Old Business:
 - Approval of September 8, 2022 minutes- Motion to approve Minutes was made by Kassie Hameister and Seconded by Leah Goff. Motion carried.
- Treasurer's Report- Leah Goff/ Catie Krautkramer
 - \$173,397.92 currently in bank
 - \$30,000 set aside for required reserve per bylaws and \$45,690.70 due to Boosterthon
 - Approx. \$3,000 has been paid for teacher reimbursements (plan on paying out \$20,000)
 - \$600 for Mother Son Game Night decorations
 - \$435 on Pre-K garden
 - \$250 on conference meals for teachers
 - \$240 on teacher's lounge snacks
- Fall Fundraiser Discussion
 - Currently on full-service level for Boosterthon, we had \$114,861.15 pledged, Boosterthon takes \$45,659.70, our profit is 60% or \$68,691. On the full-service plan Boosterthon takes a percentage of the funds pledged but runs the entire event.
 - Several other EPS Elementary schools have left Boosterthon to host their fundraiser on their own or used other companies' online platforms to collect the funds.
 - At the September 30th PTO Executive Board meeting, the PTO Board voted to move away from Boosterthon (97% of CT teachers also voted to move away from Boosterthon)
 - The PTO Board recommends creating a committee to run our own Fall fundraiser in 2023, led by Jennifer Bruns. Planning for next year will start soon.
 - A motion was made to move away from Boosterthon by Kassie Hameister and seconded by Catie Krautkramer. Motion carried with 100% of attendees in favor.
- Committee Reports
 - Lunch Pals – Volunteers still needed to help in the small or big cafeteria, link is on the PTO website. Current signup links will always be posted on the PTO Website.
 - Teacher Luncheons – Teacher luncheon on 10/20 hosted by 4th grade. The November Teacher Luncheon will be offered all parents and it will be a Thanksgiving theme.
 - Classroom Coordinators - Check sign-ups for parties and ensure that information is being shared with teachers. Communication with parents should include teachers.

- Spirit Store - All items posted on website for sale. Winter wear recently added and orders to close at midnight on 11/9/22. Orders expected to be delivered the first week of December
- Art Pals - Sign ups are out for prek-2nd grades.
- Holiday Store – We will be using a new vendor, will need many volunteers, look for info coming soon.
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- New Business
 - Mother Son Game Night - Flyers going home this week, \$10 in advance \$15 at door, only boys need tickets not adults.
 - When volunteering at school please be mindful of teacher's time and do not interrupt your child's classroom learning environment. Please be mindful of the purpose for being at the school and staying in assigned areas.
 - Follow Cross Timbers PTO on social media (Facebook and Instagram) for updates and reminders. A list of monthly events will be posted, look for November's events to be posted soon.
 - Updated website- www.crosstimberspto.org
 - Yearbooks on sale now at www.jostens.com/YB23

Send any yearbook pictures to crosstimbersyearbook@gmail.com

- Important Dates

1. Oct. 20- 5th grade Music Program
2. Oct. 21- School Wide Pink Out Day
3. Oct. 21- 1st grade field trip
4. Oct. 24- Wear Read Day- Red Ribbon Week
5. Oct. 25- Wear Favorite Team Gear
6. Oct. 25- Ted's Fundraiser Night- Danforth Location- 5:00pm-close- must bring paper flyer or digital copy
7. Oct. 26- Wear a Hat Day
8. Oct. 27- Decade Day
9. Oct. 28- Storybook Character Day
10. Oct. 28- Fall Classroom Parties
11. Nov. 9- Picture Retakes

- General Discussion and Questions:

- Mrs. Herrera asked if there were sample shirts or hoodies for the Spirit Wear? President Bruns was unsure but would ask.
 - Post Meeting Update – There are not samples shirts available.
- Mrs. Graff noted that she was not receiving emails from classroom coordinators and asked if teachers could please be included.

- Mrs. Herrera asked for clarification on the class parties for the number of parents that were allowed to attend. Principal Neely and PTO President confirmed that one parent was allowed to attend 1 party.
- Kassie Hameister asked if PTO would be willing to promote fundraisers for 5th Grade DC Trip and briefly discussed that events were being planned.
- Kassie Hameister asked if the kids had been made aware of why on 10/21 it would be a school side Pink out Day. Principal Neely stated it was a hard thing to discuss with the different age groups. Mrs. Herrera discussed how she had approached it with her Pre-K class.
- It was briefly discussed that most kids at CT may not be aware of why we have Red Ribbon Week.

Attendance:

1. Jennifer Bruns
2. Catie Krautkramer
3. Leah Goff
4. Kassie Hameister
5. Rachel Roberts
6. Katie Oekerman
7. Christine Wells
8. Kristen Eck
9. Julie Bull
10. Jill Herrera
11. Jamie Smith
12. Michelle Jones
13. Andrea Householter
14. Sherri Rowley
15. Rachel Sievers
16. Alisha Wilson
17. Jennifer Roberson
18. Melanie Weaver
19. Allison Graff
20. Melanie Weaver
21. Amanda Neely
22. Alisha Owens