

MINUTES

Marion Walker Elementary PTO

January 9, 2019

The meeting was called to order by Amanda Grindley at 6:33 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance lead by Amanda Grindley

In attendance

Amanda Grindley	Lindsey Harter	Heather Huntsinger	Bikem Oskin	Colleen DeFonzo
Karen Krisch	Chris Cipro	Danyelle Crouthamel	Jackie Wynkoop	Hanna Burke
Laurie Henry	Amanda Fedisson	Ashley Price	Allison Kyte	Carrie Giornesto

Treasurer's Report

Heather Huntsinger read though all the movement in the budget.
Motion made by Amanda Grindley to approve Treasurer's Report
Approved by: Hanna Burke
Second: Ashley Price

Secretary's Report

Motion made by Amanda Grindley to approve November Meeting Minutes
Approved by: Amanda Fedisson
Second: Colleen DeFonzo

Committee Reports

Box Tops – Please check the box top expiration dates.

Fundraiser: Cynthia Naspinski

Pizza Mia does fundraisers where they provide coupons in place of food. Options are Ultimate Subs or Pizza Mia for the spring fundraiser.

Holiday Store: Amanda Fedisson and Amanda Grindley

Thanks to everyone who donated. Big success. For next year we need wine corks and bright green wine bottles.

T-Shirt Sales:

T-shirts were delivered to the classrooms today.

Yearbook: Andrea Harman & Jacki Hopkins

We need more pictures submitted. Especially from the teachers. Possible memorial page for Mrs. DeCusati in the yearbook.

Winter Carnival: Bikem Oskin, Danyelle Crouthamel, Lindsey Harter, Laurie Henry

Games – Boy Scouts confirm that they will be at the Carnival. Discover Space cannot make it this year. I have scheduled the bounce house and the cotton candy machine. The YMCA Stingray Team will attend. The Bellefonte Soccer Association is interested but they still need to confirm. The 5th graders are working on their posters which will be collected early next week. The flyers should have gone home today. The signup links have been created and are on the flyers. I will also get them to put on the website and Facebook. I spoke to someone today about the sand art.

Kitchen – We need someone to work in the kitchen from the cafeteria staff.

Raffles – Teacher signups are done for the baskets. Donation requests are out. The PTO purchased a few more raffle prizes.

Mrs. Krisch

Limo lunch is Friday. A Celebration of Life for Cheryl DeCusati will help in Jan. 26th at Park Forest Baptist Church in State College, with visitation at 10 a.m., service at noon and light lunch at 1 p.m. The school is planning a memorial in her name, but nothing has been decided yet.

A few students from Marion Walker won an art contest and will have their artwork as part of a collage as a wrap a CATA Bus. The bus is planning on stopping by MW.

Teacher Rep.: Colleen DeFonzo

The caroling organized at Cheryl DeCusati's house was really nice. Thank you to everyone who participated. The holiday store went well. Thanks for all the Santa gifts. The kids loved it.

Old Business

Tax Exempt Update – Accountant Payment

We are done paying for all the tax preparation. Dotts and Hamilton only charged us \$2,450 for all the tax prep.

New Business

Returned check fee policy – discussion and vote

Before the PTO Incorporation the bank return fee was \$10. Now that we are incorporated the return check fee is \$20. So far, we have had three checks returned. Discussion on what we should do about the fee. Decision was made to add verbiage about a \$20 check return fee to flyers going forward.

Marion Walker Scholarship – Rename – Discussion and vote

Discussed renaming the scholarship fund to the Cheryl DeCusati Memorial Scholarship.

Motion made by Amanda Fedisson

Approved: Unanimous

Questions or Comments

Jackie Wynkoop – Bellefonte reads is Feb. 21 for the One Book One Bellefonte. Books are "Refugee" and "Wish Tree." The event is at the High School. Three weeks later is the Community Literacy Night.

Next meeting will be February 13, 2019, at 6:30 p.m. at Marion Walker Elementary School Library

Motion made by Amanda Grindley to adjourn at 7:18 p.m.

Approved by: Ashley Price

Second: Laurie Henry

Submitted by Bikem Oskin