

Center Street Elementary School December 2017 PTO Meeting Minutes

Meeting date: December 5, 2017
Time/location: 6:30pm CS Library

Meeting attendees: Kate Williams, Amy Barr, Denise Trondsen, Melanie Peden and Wanda Kailbourne

The meeting was opened at 6:35 by Wanda.

The principal's report that was sent via email from Patti Sotero was read aloud:

Principal's Report:

Mrs. Sotero would like to thank the PTO for their labors of love for sure – shopping and putting together baskets. It was so appreciated. One family's car was broken and had to have another person pick it up for them. I am still receiving thank yous on the baskets.

Talent Show – thank you to all the moms and PTO for the snacks. We had an amazing variety show and they were so confident performing in front of the audience. We had over 150 people attend!

Movie Night went well – no accidents, kids seem to really enjoy the socialization and we had just the right amount of volunteers.

Looking forward to Holiday Shoppe – please take pictures – what a wonderful way to be able to bring joy to our students' hearts – putting something under the tree for their family members will be so wonderful for our kids!

Looking forward to our Special Santa coming to CS on Dec. 22nd.

I appreciate everyone and all the hours that is put forth to making a difference. Our kids are loving the Penguin display Melissa – thank you for that.

Faculty report: We discussed the Holiday Shoppe sponsorship program. Also discussed sending out an email to all parents about Friday Holiday Shoppe make-up shopping day.

Site Base Team Report:

Kate Williams shared her minutes from our most recent Site Base team meeting (11/27/17). Topics included Fire and police worker holiday outreach plan, GoMath supplementation possibilities, Chris Harkness TCI training, America Legion's presentation of an award to CS for our Veteran's Day Celebration. Also discussed the relieving of obstruction of the 3rd lane parking for the costume parade (Halloween) for next year. Discussed the last 3 lock down drills at school being used as education pieces and learning something new each time.

District Parent Council Report:

Melanie Peden shared out agenda topics from the last DPC meeting including Homecoming DJ issues, cyber bullying, PE selectivity, Lifetouch issues at the High School, and also protocol for proper handling of sports injury at High School sporting events.

Treasurer's Report:

Denise shared out the updated expense report and checks outstanding. We also voted on and made an in person (in addition to email) motion to approve a \$100 donation from our CS PTO to HHS Project Graduation.

Volunteer Coordinator's Report:

Denise spoke about needing a coordinator for the CS book exchange. Discussed reaching out to Michelle Gryska for book exchange tips as she had chaired this event in the past years.

Discussed the need for a Spring Picture volunteer in March. Melanie Peden volunteered to fill this position. We also discussed the need for a Santa picture taker and a second person (possibly Sarah Capaner who developed pics last year) to help on Santa picture day. Melanie Peden said it might be a possibility for her to help some of that day (later I saw that my schedule for that day did not permit this and I notified Denise of this on 12/15. So sorry!)

Amy Barr shared her printouts/plans for the December Holiday Baskets, basket packaging plans, shopping plans and budget. Total estimated budget was \$257.48.

Old Business:

We discussed how amazing Thanksgiving holiday baskets turned out. Wanda reported that Spirit Wear orders should arrive soon. Spoke about CS movie night success and possibly making some slight changes to next year's event.

New Business:

Discussed upcoming candy sale (we will get info out in January), Square 1 Art fundraiser and Spring Carnival. We discussed the possibility of coordinating swim night date with CS night out (Texas Roadhouse gives 10% and also the possibility of reaching out to Southport Pizza Hut.) There will be a need for a volunteer for testing snacks in April (Amy Barr said it was a possibility she might be able to do this).

The meeting was adjourned at 7:39pm.

Next meeting: January 9th @ 6:30pm