

Kenrose Elementary School

General PTO Board Meeting

August 20, 2015

Board Members Present: Allison Hayes, Kristen Richardson, Kristyn Roseborough, Lanesia Strange, Jen Lapinsky, Colleen Blanchette, Jacqueline Cartailier, Meredith Oxborough, Tricia Murray, Carla Green, Dr. Marilyn Webb, and Julie Hunsinger

Board Members Absent: Mrs. Tressa Tuck

There were 27 PTO members present, including Board members.

- I. The General PTO Board meeting was held on August 20, 2015 in the Kenrose Cafe at Kenrose Elementary. Allison Hayes, President, called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m.
- II. The minutes of the May 12, 2015 GPTO meeting were presented by Julie Hunsinger. Kris Helou moved that the minutes be approved. Jason Grant seconded it. The vote was favorable.
- III. President's Report: Allison Hayes
 - A. PTO at Work: Allison shared a slide presentation to the general membership indicating how the PTO works for the school. Some of the highlighted areas were how funds raised are allocated to classroom needs, new teachers, supplement for a full time computer teacher, K-2 and 3-5 projects (\$5,000 each), technology, supplies, teacher training, and so much more. Forms are sent to the teachers and staff in March, so that they may request funds for various needs in their specific classrooms. Dr. Webb and the Board review these spending requests and approve spending based on indicated need and available funds.
 - B. Projects/Volunteer Opportunities: Allison highlighted various volunteer opportunities, such as Spiritwear, Landscaping, Playground maintenance, etc. If anyone is interested in assisting in these specific areas, please contact Jacqueline Cartailier. Other volunteer opportunities include Mother/Son Event, Father/Daughter Event, Christmas Gift Wrapping for Teachers, Kindergarten Lunch Volunteers, Teacher Appreciation Week, Picture Day Volunteers, Library Volunteers, Office Front Desk Volunteers, Fundraising, Box Tops Chair, etc. If you are interested in these or other volunteer opportunities, please contact our Volunteer Coordinator Jen Lapinsky and fill out a volunteer form.
 - C. Spiritwear: Orders are placed online through the Kenrose PTO website and when the shirts arrive, parents will be contacted for payment and the shirt will be delivered to the student at school once payment has been received.
- IV. Principal's Report: Dr. Marilyn Webb
 - A. Kenrose Cares: Dr. Webb briefly discussed Kenrose Cares and how the school is focused on anti-bullying and treating each other kind.

- B. Growth: Dr. Webb discussed that enrollment is right around 915 students as of the date of this meeting. Based on a question from the general membership regarding portables, Dr. Webb noted that we would have to transition the computer lab, music room and art room into classrooms before the school would get a portable classroom.

V. Treasurer's Report: Kristen Richardson/Kristyn Roseborough

- A. 2014/2015 Budget: We raised \$~156K and had expenditures totally ~\$161K. This overage of ~\$5K is related to expenses that occur between fundraisers normally in the summer months.
- B. 2015/2016 Budget: This budget is available on the Kenrose PTO website under INFO. If we raise more than the budgeted income of ~\$107K, the Board along with Dr. Webb will identify additional projects that need funding. One of the areas where there is always a need is technology. Dr. Webb has a school goal of 1 laptop for every 2 students. We is currently 1 laptop for every 4 students. Technology is needed for assessments as well as being used as online textbooks. The county is giving the school 3 COWS stocked with Chromebooks. This will help us reach the 1 laptop for every 2 students goal, but we will still need to fund the purchase of additional COWS to reach the goal completely. A question from the general membership was raised regarding maintenance of the current technology. We currently have \$7,000 in the budget to assist with maintaining technology and the county assists with this as well. We currently have several laptops that need replacing. Due to county standards and price breaks available through bulk ordering, all technology purchases are done through the county.

VI. Fundraising: Tricia Murray/Carla Green

- A. Build the Nest (BTN): This is our only fundraiser for the school and is a check writing campaign.
- B. Family Fun Night (FFN): This is our celebration held for students and families after the BTN fundraiser. It will be held on September 18th from 5:00-8:00 and will feature a gaming truck, multiple food vendors, a train, pony rides, bounce houses, and many more fun activities. The committee for Family Fun Night will begin meeting on Wednesday mornings at 8:45 a.m. in the Café to finalize planning for the event. Volunteer t-shirts will be available for the event and if anyone has any connections to community sponsors for the event, please see Tricia Murray or Carla Green.
- C. Other Community Partner Fundraising Events: Spirit Weekends, Student Fun Nights (Skate Center and Jump Street), Rewards Cards (Publix, Target, Amazon Smiles), and Boxtops.

VII. Allison adjourned the meeting at 10:08 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie Hunsinger