

Challenger Elementary
PTO Meeting Agenda
Wednesday October 20, 2021
6pm

Present: Ashley Luderer, Melissa Riordan, Sara Pauls, Jill Fuller, Kristy Bobblitt, Heidi Schaefer, Stephanie Powell, LeeAnn Pauls Cornelison, April Matthysse, Emily Fisher, Jessica Perry, Beverly Sidorski, Ashley Burnette, Ms. Hund, and Mr. Cherry.

This meeting was held in person and via Zoom due to Covid-19 concerns

- I. Call to order at 6:03pm
- II. Welcome board members, parents, and teachers
- III. Approval of September meeting minutes
 - Motion to approve minutes by Jill Fuller and seconded by Sara Pauls
- IV. Principal and teachers' reports and comments/questions
 - Picture Day went well and very quickly this year.
 - Green & Gold Run was a huge success, and the kids had a great time at the event.
 - The Fall Break we just had seemed to be strongly needed and hoped that everyone enjoyed the little time away.
 - Fall Testing is complete, the results are now being reviewed and create intervention teams for students who should the need for assistance.
 - A lot of information is showing just how much the pandemic affected student's learning and that the loss of instruction is apparent. We will continue to work to ensure student success.
 - Parent Teacher Conferences set for the next two weeks. In person meetings on 10/21 and virtual meetings on 10/28. For some of the BK/K classes, there may be a chance to meet in person on 10/28 as well.
 - LOC Credit Union is happening on a weekly basis, and students are enjoying the ability to participate.
 - There is a half day scheduled for 11/5 as a reminder.
 - Covid Update: Not many affected in the past couple of weeks.
 - About 20-30% of families are electing the alternative quarantine option when available.
 - Understandably, this is difficult on families, students, and teachers.
 - There is a dedicated elementary contact for questions from teachers/principals on Covid to reach out to for information.
 - Volunteers are allowed in the school for dedicated events and for academic opportunities only at this time.
 - Ms. Hund is enjoying her time as a brand-new teacher for 2nd grade this year. Notes that she is loving the job, the students; and is exhausted in a positive way.
- V. Treasurer's report
 - Spirit Wear: We still have inventory of the shirts that we will continue to sell and advertise.

- Popcorn budget has already been reached for this year after only one event.
- Green & Gold Run was an amazing event. We surpassed our goal and waiting on the final number of what was earned. Hopefully we can announce this at the next meeting.
- Foodraiser Events have been a great success so far this year, we earned \$452 at the Buffalo Wild Wings night, and \$415.89 at Panera.

VI. Everyday fundraising (AmazonSmile, Kroger, VGs, Box Tops)

- AmazonSmile- \$110.10 (April-June)
- Kroger- \$95.87 (June-August)
- VGs-We are still collecting receipts
- Box tops-slow receipt of funds due to changes in the program

VII. Old Business

- Successful Foodraisers- see above notes for how well our participation has been so far.
- Green & Gold Run was awesome. Top classes will receive the donut parties next week, and a drawing for the two student principals will also be done.
- Custodian's Day-We honored Ms. Rose with a small gift to thank her for all she does for Challenger. She was so appreciative of our gift and thoughtfulness.
- Eagle Scout Project- Andrew was provided some funds from the PTO and will work on his fundraising to begin the Eagle Scout project in the next few weeks.

VIII. New Business

- Popcorn Fridays (11/19, 12/17, 1/21, 2/25, 3/18, 4/22, 5/20)
- Foodraiser- Street Taco 11/8
- Conference Dinners (10/21 & 10/28)
- Trunk or Treat (10/29)
- Mr. Northrup Visit (11/17)

Parents who are not participating in social media are missing opportunities to see what's happening or volunteer. Do we have other ways to reach and communicate to them?

- PTO will create a email newsletter with links to volunteer opportunities as well as flyers that we send home as an additional way to communicate. This will be sent out from Mr. Cherry.

IX. Adjourned at 6:57pm

Next meeting Wednesday November 17th at 6pm