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November 14, 2022 PIECE Meeting Minutes

In attendance: Scott Peters, Allison Vaughn, Jessica McConnaughay, Jill Deacon, Kelly Murray, Ashley Miller, Erin Cox, Laura Roelthe, Erin Dobson, Amy Gall, Julie Hamelau, Elizabeth McMorris, Melanie Baker, Erin Watts, Alycia Carroll, Jessica Mann, Annette Cherry

Welcome and Introductions.

Erin opened the meeting

Principal's Report – Scott Peters

- Thanked PIECE for the very successful Trunk or Treat
- Gave an update on the playground indicating it could open in a week or so
- District update - we don't know yet the impact of the tax increase not being approved. WE know changes will be big but don't have any details yet
- Hot Cocoa treat on Dec 14th and will need volunteers from PIECE to help
- Holiday parties are in the 15th - they are asking that only parents that are volunteering come to the parties to limit the crowds

Teacher's Representative Report - Kelly Murray and Ashley Miller

- Thanked PIECE for everything that we did for Parent Teacher conference day - breakfast/ lunch/ snacks were very much appreciated!

Treasurer's Report: Laura Roethle

- Pastry sale amount - \$7200!!!
- Shared Budget - see attached

President's Report: Erin Cox

- October Overview: We completed Spirit Wear, Pastry Sales, Trunk or Treat/Back to School event, Halloween room parties as well as Parent Teacher Conferences on 11/7. Spirit Wear and Pastry Sales exceeded our sales goals, and we had record numbers for both turnout and decorated trunks for Trunk or Treat.
- November Event Timeline
 - Pastry pick-up is 11/15. Need volunteers.
 - Classroom cash for teachers 11/22. Pies for staff 11/22.

- PIECE Scholarship for graduating, former Prairieland student.
- Volunteer Opportunities:
 - Pastry Distribution 11/15 1:30-3:30pm. Hot Cocoa 12/14 12:15-2:15pm.
 - Carnival Team and Basket Raffle need support.
 - We are also looking for someone to lead Chess Club.
- Donations Needed: board games, coloring supplies, activity books for indoor recess in the gym.
- Committee Updates:
 - Spirit Wear (Sarah Stoller): Spirit Wear was delivered on 11/11. THANK YOU, Sarah Stoller!
 - Trunk or Treat (Leah Crews): THANK YOU, Leah Crews! We had a record 24 decorated trunks, and our winning trunk and gift card recipient, was Amy Gall's Willy Wonka. The event went over the allotted time, and we handed out approximately 12,000 pieces of candy and non-edible prizes.
 - Welcome Back Event (Mary Franks): THANK YOU, Mary Franks! Popcorn, pastries, Braffett's donuts and apple cider were provided. Mary also put together several games for entertainment. Eric Haubner created a backdrop stand and the McClure family provided our photo opp setting. Several families donated their time for set up, manning the stations, and clean up. Leftover pastries and apple cider were donated to the fire station. Amazing PIECE effort and it showed in our result!! THANK YOU to all for being a part of PIECE!
 - Room Parent Coordinator (Suzy Keim): Halloween parade and parties are complete! Next up are the Holiday parties on 12/15. A reminder email will be sent this week to all Room Parent Coordinators.
 - Staff Appreciation (Ashly Jarrett): Breakfast, lunch and snacks were provided to onsite staff during parent teacher conferences. We served Dunkin' Donuts in the teacher's lounge and Bandana's BBQ was catered for lunch. All remaining snacks and drinks were taken to the teachers' lounge. Next up is Pies from PIECE on 11/22. Sign Up Genius will be sent out and pies need to be delivered by Monday 11/21 for staff to take home on Tuesday, 11/22.
 - Carnival (Elizabeth McMorris): Date is tentatively scheduled for Saturday, February 25th. Time TBD. Look for an announcement on a Carnival specific meeting.
 - Basket Raffle (Jessica Mann): Working on donations. Please see Jessica if you have any businesses that would be a good fit for a donation.
 - CAC (Bryce Hansen & Erin Dobson): The last CAC meeting was regarding the Illinois school report card, what all goes into it, and how that should be communicated to the parents and the community. Prairieland was the only school in the district to receive an exemplary designation (top 10% of schools in the state,) but data and standards can be finicky. It's a neat honor, but don't panic if the rating drops a little next year.
 - OBBY Run (Julie Schumacher): Date tentatively scheduled for Friday, April 21st. (Earth Day is the following day.)

Vice President of Fundraising Report: Jessica McConnaughay

- Fundraising Committee was held on Monday October 17th.
- Giving Tuesday GiveButter link will be posted on Facebook

- Amazon Smile - Sign up as purchases might be higher due to holidays.

Vice President of Communications Report: Allison Vaughn

- Watch for more Facebook updates from PIECE
- Staff Highlights Posts will be coming soon as well as more posts about how PIECE and teachers are working together to enhance our kids education.

Secretary Report: Bonnie Jolley

- Meeting minutes shared on website
-<https://www.prairielandpiece.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/10/October-3-2022-PIECE-Meeting-Minutes.pdf>
- Approved

Questions/Comments/New Business

- None

Adjournment - Thank you for coming!