Minutes

Westside PTO meeting

09/20/2022 1800 | Meeting called to order by Alyssa Richmond, President

# In Attendance

Alyssa Richmond, Dawn Meyer (Teacher), Melissa Spoehr, Amber Sprangers, Jonathan Peterson,

# Meeting Minutes

Principal’s report

1. You’ll notice new names and faces at Westside.
   1. Marriages
   2. Hired new staff
      1. New second grade teachers
      2. New special education teacher part time.
      3. New paraprofessionals
         1. Mrs. Stamps
         2. Mrs. Sims
   3. During covid, we had a decline in interpersonal skills.
      1. The district responded and gave us the support.
      2. Empowering kids to know they’re able to do it.
   4. Back to being open for parents
      1. Come in for lunch periodically
         1. i.e. a celebration
         2. Walk in after school
2. Changes for PTO
   1. Dances without worrying about COVID spreading. Can we have a fall dance?
      1. The spring dance was the most successful in years.
   2. Three dances are ideal.
   3. Carnival
      1. Looking for experience instead of fake prizes and candy/soda
   4. BINGO-in the spring
      1. candy bar for entrance
      2. PTO tries to get donations for BINGO.
      3. This is not necessarily able to happen the way it used to.
3. Gaga ball pit-goal for this year.
   1. Fundraising specifically for this.
4. Backdrop for Basketball.
5. The reason the teachers stay at Westside is because of the community.

Carnival game upgrade

* + 1. We have options to either purchase the materials to upgrade.
    2. Have a service come in-Rent them. How much does it cost to rent yearly? Is it worth it to invest?

1. Have the PTO present at teacher conferences to help set up Amazon Smile.
2. Pizza fundraiser-still happening this year.
   1. Kids won’t be going door to door this year.
3. Assemblies-pay this, you duct tape Mr. Peterson, sundae on his head, etc.
4. Breakfast with Santa-Mid December-Saturday
   1. Kwik trip donated donuts
      1. Coffee, milk, OJ and donuts
   2. Reads a story, greets the kids, would walk around, get a picture.
   3. Who should we have be santa?

# Recap

Mr. Peterson will come to the next meeting with a quote.

Fundraising ideas.

Reach out to “Santa” for breakfast with Santa-plan this

# Budget

$6,745.74-paid for Books for Birthdays, Banner back to school sign and $25 kwik trip gift card promotion.

# Next Meeting

Tuesday October 18th, 2022 at 6pm.