

## Ivey Ranch PTO Meeting Minutes

March 29, 2017

In Attendance: Dieter S, Kim C, Nichole T, Laurie R, Katie P, Charity D, Jordyn Y, Lisa B, Darcy C, Jess C, Rebecca V

Called to Order: 6:05 pm

Presidents Report: Need to start planning for next year's officers. Charity D has offered to do 5<sup>th</sup> grade camp. Officer elections set for end of April. This year we should do it online so that we do not waste paper. Also, put it on social media. Motion was approved to support the school STEAM program. Looking into making grade level supply kits like Schoolkitz. Need grade level supply list early so that PTO can make kits and sell them for a profit for 5<sup>th</sup> grade. It could also be sold on the website.

Principals Report: Would like to better partner the PTO with the school. Wants to take a look at what that would look like. Innovation is a process not a product. That is what we want students to come away with. Our goal at Ivey is to build a school culture that values creativity and critical thinking, collaboration, etc. Some current examples of innovation at Ivey are: global goals, novel engineering, thinking tools, robotics, class businesses, design for change, self-reflection with poetry, Fall of 2017 innovation rotation. 4 class businesses have been established. His proposal for partnership is a 16/16 ratio for new chromebooks each year. 2/2 new LCD projectors each year. Increase school's robotics supplies. A new amplifier for performing arts. Wants to begin multi-funding projects. Doesn't want to get to a spot where there is no tech on campus because it is all too old. Wants 40 chromebooks at each grade level for a ratio of 3 students for 1 chromebooks. Chromebooks will cost \$170 a piece. We have projectors that are 10 years old and need replacing. If we do 2/2 every year, then there will be a new projector in each class every 8 years. The bulbs in them will last 10 years. Mrs. Griffin would like 8 robotic devices. That would allow for small group projects in robotics. A new amp will cost \$200-300. It would help 2<sup>nd</sup> -5<sup>th</sup> grade plays. About a \$5000 commitment per year for chromebooks, robotics, LCD projectors. There is no objection to this from the PTO. What do we want the kids to do with the tech? We want them to drive change, take action, join partners, find answers to their questions, change minds, raise awareness and make a difference. For the first year we may spend up to \$6000 on tech to start the innovation program. Wednesday April 26<sup>th</sup> is the Open House.

Treasurers Report: \$7106 in Fun Run deposits so far. Around 700 shirts ordered.

Fundraising Report: Panda Express made \$190. Pit Stop is on April 5<sup>th</sup>, all day. Fire House Subs is May 3<sup>rd</sup>, same day as Barnes and Noble Book Fair. There will be music at the Book Fair with Mrs. Cooper. Spirit Vending Machines would like to place a sticker vending machine on campus. The school would receive 25% off all sales. They stock and run the machine. The funds could be used for library renovation and books. Allen Orthodontics would like to sponsor the school. They donated 900 water bottles. They also have a popcorn and cotton candy machine that we can borrow. The Fun Run is ready. There should be lunch from Luna Grill and Bob's for the volunteers. Square One Art is set up for next year starting in the end of August. It was agreed that we should keep the Fall Catalog fundraiser.

Educational Services Report: Reading Counts bounce house is May 19<sup>th</sup>. Teacher Appreciation is May 1-5<sup>th</sup>. Theme is Teachers make the world go round. There is a sign-up genius for food, drinks and desserts. Charity D will do class organization for \$100. Purchasing mini Bluetooth speakers and map keychains for the teachers. Will try to split the Barnes and Noble Gift cards to give to the teachers.

Family Services Report: May 12<sup>th</sup> is Disco Night. There will be a DJ and photo booth. The event will be free. There will be a charge for photo booth and for food. The 4<sup>th</sup> graders will sell food for next year's camp.

5<sup>th</sup> Grade Committee: Camp is next Monday

Additional Comments: Charity D proposes that See's Fundraiser money every year go towards camp money for that grade level. It would start in Kinder and every year add to their grade level funds so that by the time they are in 5<sup>th</sup> grade they have money already set aside for camp. Kim C stated that it might be too complicated for such a small amount of funds. She also stated that we should see if we can use MLK's gym for next years plays so that we can charge \$5 a ticket and have the 5<sup>th</sup> graders usher and clean to make money for camp.

Meeting Adjournment: 7:35 pm