

Northpoint Elementary PTO

Meeting Minutes

October 10th, 2011

Introductions- Julie Jeppson, President

Starting at 6:30, Ms. Jeppson began the meeting by welcoming everyone in attendance. The PTO members started off the introductions. This was followed by everyone in attendance introducing themselves, stating the name of their children and whose class they were in at Northpoint or elsewhere.

Approval of Minutes-

Ms. Jeppson asked that people look over the minutes from the September 19th meeting. Minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report

Jill Bangs, PTO Treasurer, shared that after the monies were raised from the Northpoint Fun Run we are at a break even with the proposed budget. Jill stated that this allows for us to go ahead with the budget as proposed at the September 19th meeting.

Presentations-

1. Amy Wheaton and Pam Wellen- Fun Run Chairs
 - Pam and Amy shared that \$26,872.00 was raised.
 - Pam shared that about 190 parents and family member attended
 - Pam and Amy shared that a decision was made to have an all school ice cream party and that classes who raised the most money were given \$25 gift cards to spend on things for their classroom.

2. Mr. Callahan-Northpoint Elementary Principal
 - Mr. Callahan thanked Pam and Amy for their efforts with the Fun Run.
 - Mr. Callahan shared that conferences were coming up and that parents would be able to meet with their child's classroom teacher.
 - Mr. Callahan encouraged that if you had specific questions to send your child's teacher an email.
 - Mr. Callahan shared that this year's first Coffee with the Principal would be held on Friday, October 28th at 9:30 a.m.

3. Jeff Ronneberg- Spring Lake Park Schools Superintendent-

Mr. Ronneberg shared that he was in attendance to bring attention for the Strategic Plan or the November 8th vote. (For more information please refer to the District website. (www.springlakeparkschools.org).

4. KidsFirst- Amy Wheaton

-Amy shared that KidsFirst has been working hard on targeting the “Yes” voters. The goal is to reach 2300 people. They have been making phone calls and will start canvassing on Saturday.

Activities Update

Fall Party- Emily Watts shared that the planning for the Fall Party is well underway. It will be held on November 4th from 6-8:00 p.m. There will be a mass email going out in the next week or so with a request for 35-40 volunteers along with a flier in the Take Home Folders.

Northpoint Apparel- Nita Hodney shared that all clothing orders were completed. She shared that there were no major issues. The next apparel order will happen at the end of November.

Conference Meals- The meals have been decided upon. There are many people who have stepped up to donate what is needed.

Book Fair- Marla and Heidi shared that a flier would be going home on Wednesday, October 12th. There are still a few holes that need volunteers. Heidi shared that there are volunteers still needed for a couple of shifts. Heidi also mentioned that if you are able that they would still like help with set up on Friday, October 14th.

Hat and Coat Drive/ Food Drive- Melissa Kloubec discussed the option of doing a food drive rather than a hat and coat drive. It was suggested to have a wish list of things that families might need at a PTO meeting. Melissa was going to discuss this idea with Kate Flandrey.

Open Microphone-

Julie Jeppson opened it up for questions and comments. There were additional thanks in regards to the Fun Run. The comment was made that having a great fundraiser is one thing but to encourage physical activity is also such a positive. There was discussion on continuing the Fun Run or looking at another type of fundraiser. The question was asked about the school website and when the minutes would be posted online. The suggestion was made to add upcoming events to the website.

Adjournment-

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:15p.m.

Next Meeting-

The next meeting is scheduled for November 7th at 6:30p.m.

