

LSM PTO Meeting Minutes

January 14, 2019

Meeting called to order by Trista Treglowne at 6:10 p.m.

Present: Trista Treglowne, Melissa Murray, Eric Johnson, Susan Stinson, Laura Olson, Kristen Morgan, Steve Wenger, Andrew Bosshard

Secretary's Report: Meeting minutes for November 14, 2018 – add Kristen Morgan and Steve Wenger to those present

Treasurer's Report: Checking account balance is \$5,528.41. Expenses were \$1625 from new teacher stipends and the \$400 teacher request check that was cashed (from November). The outstanding Cougar apparel invoice check of \$1133 cleared as well. An additional expense of \$121.31 was for pizza reimbursement for a school function and food for November's meeting. The PTO bought additional Kwik Trip cards for \$1814.50. In addition, the PTO received \$2927.55 income from Kwik Trip card purchases due to the holiday season. The savings account balance is \$130.52.

Teacher Requests

Date	Teacher	Curricular area/club	Item Description	Cost	Decision
1/14/2019	Linda Watson	Library	Cricut Explore and 40 vinyl sheets Use to add inspirational quotes to the bathrooms, additional uses for teachers and students as well	\$320.00	\$320 approved
1/14/2019	Erin Schmuck	SOTA II	Books to read for choice options, already awarded \$300 grant	Up to \$200	Up to \$200 approved
1/14/2019	Besty Klingelhofer	Health Assistant	Ice maker The current one is broken. There are no funds in her budget for this.	\$85	\$85 approved

Principal's Report:

- Staffing – Will start looking at staffing early to mid-February. It will depend on the state budget. Anticipating to keep staffing “as-is”. If no staffing cuts are made, can keep the block schedule. Concern that will have to cut staff since incoming 6th grade was smaller than expected due to increased boundary exemptions. If LSM must cut staff, then it cannot keep the longer teaching periods from this school year. Contracts will go out mid-May.
- Neighborhood issues – Stabbing in the neighborhood - At first, Mrs. Murray was told that no students at LSM were affected but that was false. Family members of LSM students were involved. Mrs. Murray needs better and timelier communication from police and community leaders about issues in the community that directly affect LSM students.

President's Report:

- Kwik Trip: Trista will be picking up additional gift cards from Kwik Trip. Holiday sales went well. We are down to one \$5 card.
- Java Vino social/Euchre tournament:
 - Scheduled on January 26 from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.
 - Mrs. Murray will email teachers and staff about the event and place on the school Facebook page and website
 - Will have greeters towards front to notify people of event
 - A raffle for donated items will take place at event. Ticket sales will take place in the school office January 22-25. Sales will occur on night of event as well as the drawing.
 - The Euchre tournament will be \$20 to play. Sign up deadline will be Tuesday, January 22. Prizes will be 1st: \$40, 2nd: \$20, 3rd: \$10.

DWP Report: Not given due to time constraints. Meeting notes can be found on the La Crosse School District website under “Parents>District Wide Parent Meeting>Minutes”.

Other Business:

Steve Wenger brought up lighting concerns in the streets surrounding the school. There are concerns about not being able to see students in crosswalks in the morning before school and after practice when it is dark. There are concerns about not enough street lighting in the neighborhood. Mrs. Murray suggested talking with the Washburn Neighborhood Association about this. Lincoln has increased lighting on some sides of the building and is supposed to have additional lighting installed on the rest of the building. The PTO would support increased lighting in the neighborhood as well.

The meeting adjourned at 8:08 p.m. The next meeting will be Wednesday, February 20 at 11:30 a.m.