March 7, 2018

PTO Executive Meeting

Location: Colfax Office

Those in attendance: Abbie Campsie, Dory Levine, Tiffany Stuckey, Maribeth Hagley

Abbie Campsie called the meeting to order at 4:25. The main agenda item was reviewing the budget in preparation for the May vote. Tiffany Stuckey was able to renegotiate with Frick Environmental for a lower cost for the Grade 1 and 4 field trips. That is now going to cost \$5,000 instead of over \$6,000. Tiffany will also look into asking for a reduced rate for the Frick House field trip.

The Spring Musical has been chosen and we are waiting to hear from Ms. Mitchell the date that has been selected.

Movie Night has been changed to April 13th. Dory Levine will be choosing the movies soon.

We approved electronically money to be spent on new playground equipment, balls, hola hoops, jump ropes, etc.

The Ask Drive brought in \$19,500.

Party 4 Play final numbers haven't been collected yet. There was conversation about the lower attendance this year. Ideas were considered on how to get more parents to participate. One idea was to have a dessert and coffee night at Colfax where we promote all the ways to be involved with the Colfax Community. The target grades would be K-2 families and children could hang out in the gym while the parents meet.

Teacher Appreciation week is May 6. We will host a Staff Luncheon to be catered on Wednesday of that week. Dory Levine will ask the Colfax Parent who owns a restaurant if they'd be willing to cater. Home Room Parents will be asked to decorate doors and find small ways of gifting the teacher throughout the week.

Someone is going to inquire about the Cobra Store. It seems like a popular activity for the students K-5 but we spend \$4,000 to have this incentive program. Curious if this is a good use of resources.

Tiffany Stuckey spoke about home room reps and volunteers at Colfax. She expressed concern that not enough families participate and wonders how to increase this number.

The last item of business was Carnival. Dory brought up the idea of a wrist band instead of ticket sales. She is going to think through the cost analysis on this change.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:25.