

Draft meeting minutes from October 10, 2018

In Attendance: Emily Sekerak, Mr. Hershberger, Mrs. Hefner, Nicole Biehn, Katty Smith, Sonja Streuber, Alisha Hughes, Gretchen Schulz, Amy Knauff, Brett Furuness

Meeting called to order

Minutes from the September meeting were reviewed. Motion to approve minutes made by Nicole. Second by Mrs. Hefner. Minutes are approved.

Correspondence: .

Treasurer report: Additional \$70 received from Laps for Learning. Nicole reviewed the transactions from the previous month. 5 guys eat out night was successful. Alisha motioned to approve the report. Katty seconded the motion to approve the report. Approved.

Old Business

Fall Carnival: Katty and Nicole reported their committee updates. There will be bounce houses in half the gym, photo booth in other half. There will be a photo booth set up, plus two haunted houses (one scary, one not so scary.) There will be food available in the cafeteria. Games will be at various places around the school. There is a sign up genius available for volunteer requirement. [we have a need for volunteers](#). Flyers will be printed and go out to parents on October 11th. There will be a pumpkin decorating contest. Times will be 4-7 pm. The calendar on the Valparaiso schools' website will be updated. Auction is aiming for 60 items. Auction will be in the marketplace.

Eat out nights: BW3 on October 22 and November 5th. November 29th is Qdoba. December 18th is Noodles and Company. Jan 15th is Chipotle. February is usually Shoes and a competition between the Valpo schools. We will try to do Culvers and 5 guys again.

New Business

Winter Movie Nights: There were suggestions for events as alternative. Like Daddy/Daughter dance & Mother/Son dance. Maybe Bingo. "Bingo for Books" The group believes that Bingo for Books is the best. Movies is back on the table too with snacks in the cafeteria. December maybe for movie, that Valpo Schools has a license for already as long as we show the movie indoors. January would be open for Bingo for Books. Committee for Bingo: Gretchen volunteered. Emily and Gretchen are now on the committee.

Spirit Wear: Parents have been asking about spirit wear. Amy provided an update. We used Blythes in the past. Looking for a new vendor this year. Emily will investigate.

Overview of upcoming events

Variety Show Sonja reviewed. She is looking for a date from Mr. Hershberger. She will get google forms running for volunteer sign ups. Sonja is looking for the topic early so that the art students can get going on

the stage set. She would like it done before Thanksgiving. She wants to do auditions after sign-up to get into the program.

Family Fun Night at VHS: Just the date is needed from Mrs. Jeurgens. Katty is on top of this event.

New Ideas Amy suggested a children's secret shopping area near Christmas from 'Penguin Patch' They send inventory, then you send back what you don't use. Pay for what was sold. Book fair is in November too, so good to keep in mind that there would then be multiple events asking for money through the end of the year. Amy will contact the company to get more information.

Principal's Report A thank you – a number of teachers went today to the VU Literacy Conference, and the PTO contributed to sending these teachers. Picture retake date on next Thursday. Everyone should have received an e-learning note for the parents. There was a practice day on Tuesday for the children. There will be a 3 day window to get it done on the E-learning day (election day.) Parent teacher conferences will be coming up soon. Children do not usually attend these conferences. For the playground – the equipment is shipped and should start working on installing at the end of the week of October 8th.

Group discussion to move February 14th meeting to February 13th.

Katty motioned to adjourn the meeting,

Nicole seconded the motion.

Meeting Adjourned: