Meeting Minutes

Name of PTO: J. P. Oldham PTO
Date of meeting: 9/29/2020
Time of meeting: 7:00 pm
Place of meeting: Zoom call
Name of presiding officer: Marie Foley
Members in attendance: Christine, Marie, Kathleen, Lauren, Mandy, Carol

Names of guests in attendance: Steve Olsen, Leah Wasserman, Julie Barbour-Issa, Cindy Angers, Liz Caruso, Sam Bradley, Bryan D'Archangelo, Katie Neal-Rizzo, Kim Frey, Kelly CLark, Karyn Manning, Michelle Sweeney, Karyn Manning, Scott Maffei

Time of adjournment: 8:10

Name of secretary who prepared the minutes:
Kathleen Golden

- **Introductions**-Members of the board shared a little bit about themselves

- **Principal Report**- Thank you to everyone for being supportive and patient over the last few weeks. Students and staff are happy to be at school, protocols worked and learning has begun! Remote learning is worked out with computer issues and hiring. Mr Olsen went over the TROT to success..a guideline of behaviors expected at school. PTO may be providing playground equipment(balls, jump ropes, hula hoops etc). Finding ways for Hybrid/RLA kids to connect with each other.

- **Teacher Report-** everyone is happy being back in and quickly adjusting to the new norms of school during COVID. Masks haven't been an issue. Thank you to the PTO for the snacks that were provided in the teacher room.

- **Treasure Report**- beginning $17, 130

  $14, 380.00 is the current balance. PTO dues-Christine made a motion to spend $ for a temp phone to set up Venmo for PTO dues.

- **Boosterthon-** Jen and Marie met with Alicia from Boosterthon program. All virtual, no pep rally, gives teachers the flexibility to show the hype videos on their own time. The activity is a “dance off” not running. Thought was to have it start 10/26. Kids wouldn’t be getting individual prizes everyday. At the end of the time every kid would get a bag of goodies, whether they raised money or not. Suggestion to watch the hype videos on the afternoons on Wednesdays. Marie is checking on getting it moved to the spring.

- **Enrichment Programs-** Norwood Cultural Council gives grants for about $1200-$1500, typical year of programs cost around $3200. Still have some grant $ leftover from last spring. Maybe downsizing the amount of enrichment for this year..people zoomed out? We can have up to 40 kids in the cafe socially distanced, facing the same direction and masked.

- **Teacher reimbursement-** plan is to continue with the teacher reimbursement.

- **New Family Liaison-** finding a way to forge a connection to welcome families into the Oldham community that are new to Norwood/Oldham community. Looking for volunteers still.

- **Social Media-** working on creating an Instagram and Twitter accounts to broaden the audience. 2 Facebook pages, will do away with the older one.

- **Class of 2023 Fundraisers(selling masks)-** posting on FB about the class of 2023 selling masks.

- **Dine Outs(Sara Eberly)-** support local restaurants, will continue with the DIne Out fundraiser.

- **Funding Requests for Day St Sports to provide bags of recess items for $90 a bag of equipment.**

- **Virtual room parents?-** Won't be in the classroom but could virtually help out. RLA classrooms as well.
- **Halloween-**no party..maybe put together a few trunks for the Rec Dept trunk or treat, Oldham do it's own drive thru Trunk or Treat, carved Jack O'Lantern with electric candle on display for a drive thru. Can post carved Jack O' Lantern/costumes on social media . Wendy's Frosty certificates for everyone who participates.
- **5th grade-**School store..tabled till 10/13 meeting