

## **Cherokee Elementary PTO Meeting Minutes**

Tuesday, January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2016

Cherokee Elementary Wildcat Den

- The meeting was called to order by President Kristy Garrett at 6:40 p.m.
- 26 people in attendance, including 5 staff members – Principal Lynn Mair, Ms. Sleem, Ms. Machala, Ms. Curcuru and Ms. Krisciunas.
- **Welcome and Introductions**
  - President Kristy Garrett thanked everyone for attending.
- **Principal's Report**
  - Mrs. Mair thanked everyone for attending.
  - Mrs. Mair presented a slideshow on Student Success.
  - Mrs. Mair gave an overview of last year's M-Step results.
  - Mrs. Mair discussed a Leader in Me school visit scheduled for March 23<sup>rd</sup>.
  - Mrs. Mair presented a Growth Mindset Video with statistics on praise and Effort vs. Intelligence. A packet was distributed on Growth Mindset and concepts were discussed.
- **President's Report (Kristy Garrett)**
  - President Kristy Garrett discussed the Little Caesars Pizza Kit Fundraiser – seeking a co-chairperson to help Christian Vaughn. See her afterwards if interested.
  - President noted the PTO Board Elections for the 2016-2017 school year will be held during the April PTO Meeting. Nomination Forms will go out in March and we are looking for new board members for the next school year.
  - President noted the Restitution Committee has been contacted and will be discussing decisions to be made.
- **Treasurer's Report**
  - Treasurer Kim Broadbridge disbursed the updated 2015 – 2016 Budget.
  - Treasurer gave a brief overview of the budget that includes every income and expense as of yesterday. Non-sufficient funds were discussed. Treasurer noted that each non-sufficient fund goes against each fundraiser and a template goes out to the family. Treasurer noted that the DAV donation bin has netted \$628 so far this school year. Forms/Receipts are available in the Main Hallway and in the Main Office.

- Treasurer discussed the switch in bank accounts and \$120 in fees is now waived.

- **Committee Reports**

- President Kristy Garret noted the January Movie night was canceled due to a lack of participation.
- Santa Shop was a discussed. A very fun and successful week was had by all! Thank you to all the wonderful volunteers. Save the date for the 2016 Santa Shop – December 5<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup>, 2016.
- President Kristy Garrett gave an overview of the PJ's and Pancakes event – a fun and exciting evening of pancake flipping! Thank you to all the participating families.
- President Kristy Garrett noted that Spiritwear orders were disbursed before Christmas break and thank you to everyone that ordered! Profit was \$17.15.
- Mom and Son Event was discussed - Keri Wilbur and Nina Newsome gave an overview. Event is scheduled at Dave & Buster's for Sunday, January 31<sup>st</sup> with check-in starting at 11:30. Pre-registration is required.
- Minute to Win It Family Game Night is scheduled for the evening of Wednesday, February 24<sup>th</sup>. Kim Broadbridge gave an overview of the upcoming fun-filled evening.
- Jersey Mike's Fundraiser will be held in May. President Kristy Garret discussed how students will receive "free sub cards" on May 11<sup>th</sup> that will be valid May 11<sup>th</sup> – May 18<sup>th</sup>. The "free sub cards" are redeemed with a donation to Cherokee.
- Box Tops and Lipton Labels – thank you to all that have contributed! Please continue to clip and send in.
- Birthday Book Club – forms are accessible on the Cherokee website and the Cherokee PTO website. It is not too late to send the form in.
- Mrs. Mair noted the recess weather guidelines are 20 degrees or below and the students will have indoor recess. She also gave a rundown on the lunch/recess procedures.

- **Floor opened for Parent Questions and Answers**

- **Meeting adjourned at 7:52 pm**

- **Refreshments and treats served**

Nina Newsome, PTO Secretary