



Blue Valley PTO Meeting

7 - 8 p.m., Thurs. Nov. 8, 2018

Blue Valley High School Commons

Members present

Janelle Corkill (President), April Brenner (Vice President), Jodee Webster (Events Coordinator) and Michelle Taylor.

Announcements

Janelle announced that the School Board is planning a spring open house to showcase the bond updates. PTO would love to be involved, provide refreshments, etc. The Cheerleaders are selling BV stadium chairs, contact Amy Young, ayoung@usd384.org, to purchase. Also, the band is having a meal before the winter concert to support WOF. We should help get the word out.

Treasurer's Report:

Jenny Sump reported that the current PTO balance is \$9,646.61 in the general account and \$509.12 in the library account.

- PTC meals spending was \$295.53 for Chipotle for all three schools and \$79.95 for The Farmhouse for MES. We received a nice thank you card signed by the middle and high school teachers for the Chipotle!
- We've approved \$60 for the McCain trip for the 7th-8th graders Nov. 14.
- We've received two Kroger checks this semester totaling \$498.82. We should promote this a little more since it's an easy fundraiser.
 - To do: put a direct link on facebook and the PTO website.
- All gates proceeds have been received so far totaling \$764. The first three basketball games are covered for November.

Boots and Bling report

Jodee Webster reports that plans are well underway for another fun event! We're planning to change things up and have a Wahoo fajita bar. We're looking for meal and raffle item sponsors! The next meeting is Thursday, Dec. 6 at 6:30 p.m. at MES (in place of the general PTO meeting).

Old business

Middle school gates

Middle school basketball gates start Nov. 12. Sign up is out. Please share! First three games are covered.

PTO Fall Festival wrap up

Fall Festival was a huge success with a high turnout that also supported the Spooky Supper. We spent \$183.19 on goodie bags and prizes (including the cash costume prizes). We ran out of all of our prizes this year and handed out all 75 goodie bags. If we have good weather again next year, we should plan for 100 goodie bags. We donated our extra pencils and snacks to the elementary classrooms. There are more PTO bookmarks that will be stocked in the elementary and HS libraries.

MES playground updates

The recommendation to fund a manual scoreboard, bases and convertible bench for the playground was discussed. It was determined that bases are not needed at this time, but possibly some new basketballs or kickballs. Janelle will contact Mr. Burton and ask/coordinate about funding those items for the playground and verifying needs.

New business

Funding request

Blake Fronce requested \$300 to purchase 2 ping-pong tables to use with the high school and possibly junior high students. He is also requesting funds from Booster Club. He is planning to look at Black Friday prices and let us know final costs. He wants to be sure to purchase good quality that will last longer. The members approved \$200 assuming that the Booster Club would also provide support. Mr. Fronce will let us know the details.

Winter program (Santa and treat bags)

The MES Winter Concert is Friday, Dec. 7 at 7 p.m. Pat and Barb Bennett are looking forward to playing Santa and Mrs. Klaus again this year. April will check on costumes and confirm their availability. We'd like to add from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. during the Band fundraising dinner to help shorten the line after the concert.

Last year's treat bags with gloves, hot chocolate and a candy cane were a hit so we'll do it again this year. Janelle will check on prices online to see if we can find a good bulk deal. We need 150-200 treat bags to cover students and additional attendance.

Teacher gifts for Christmas

The members discussed several options for teacher gifts and wanted to make sure it's inclusive of all the teachers, paras, and staff in the building. It was agreed that PTO would ask for classroom supply needs and update teachers on their Boots and Bling account in December. Additional appreciation/gifting ideas would be revisited in December for a final decision.

The next meeting scheduled for Thursday, December 6 at 6:30 p.m. at MES, will be a Boots and Bling committee meeting.

The next general PTO meeting will be Thursday, January 17 at 6:30 p.m. in BVHS Commons.