



MEETING NOTES

October 16, 2023

1. Principal's Report

- The Fun Run was outstanding. The students exceeded their goal and enjoyed the day.
- The first Student of the Month ceremony of the school year was held last Friday. It was well attended and everyone enjoyed it.
- It is Fire Safety week at FES. The Freetown Fire Department will be stopping by each classroom throughout the week.
- It is also STEM week, the students are building bridges this year.

2. Treasurer's Report

- \$49k beginning balance, ended September at \$44k.
- Teacher start up checks are still clearing.
- There was an expense for the Fun Run t-shirts but that was covered by business donations.
- Fun Run proceeds are not included in the balance, will likely receive the funds before the next meeting.

3. Updates & Upcoming Events

- The book fair family night was successful. Over 75 families attended. Logowear was sold.
- Fun Run – the estimated funds to the school is \$43,590 and this does not include corporate matches. There is a 27% fee for the incentives/day of and a 15% platform fee (65% of the 15% fee was covered by donors). The students had a great time on the day of the Fun Run, came together to celebrate. The daily prizes were distributed differently this year, in bags. The teachers commented that this was an improvement. The Pie in the Face incentive was approved via email for \$200.
- Trunk or Treat – it looks like it's going to rain on 10/21. A decision will be made whether to move to rain date of 10/22 by mid-day on Friday. We are still looking for candy donations and volunteers. Next year we should add day of volunteers to sign up list (in addition to spots to decorate cars). FPD/FFD will be there. Additional candy and prizes will need to be purchased.
- STEM week – the approved purchase of supplies to build the bridges was given to Mrs. St. Onge.
- Fire Safety Week – PTO will provide lunch to the FFD as a thank you. Lunch will be from Fat Cousins.

4. Allocations

- Mr. Moreira- \$129.95 MusicK8 subscription

Motion made and approved for \$129.95

- 3rd Grade- Carol Cohen- \$900.00

Motion made and approved for \$900.00

- Trunk or Treat Candy, Supplies & Prizes- \$2,000

Motion made and approved for \$2,000.00 (this is an estimate)

- Teacher Fun Run Incentive

It was decided that all classroom teachers (27) would receive \$100 scholastic dollars

5. Committee Reports

- **Book Fair**

- a) The Scholastic rep was impressed with how well we did. Less students shopped but still sold \$10,570.
- b) In the auditorium again, larger variety of titles
- c) Opted for points instead of cashing out
- d) Spent \$2,000 scholastic points on tote bags for sales at Family Night, teacher wishlist items, library titles, titles for the vending machine and 40 hardships.
- e) Next book fair is 1/30/24-2/1/24.

6. Other Topics & Questions

- Recess tables/outdoor classroom – facilities needs to be involved. \$600+ per table depending on size/material. Teachers should be involved in the outdoor classroom discussion, send out a survey. Need to consider maintenance. Will not be open to the public.
- MadScience – mixed reviews on past performances. Depends on the presenter. There was someone at Lakeville Public Library that was great, reach out to ask who that was. Mr. Ward suggested multiple assemblies, not all kids at one time.
- Website – a new website was shown, more features, updated look and feel. \$10-12 cost per month. Looking into if donations can be accepted through the website and if there is a fee for that. We would have an open photo session for students with guardians that give permission for them to be photographed to be on the website.

Meeting Adjourned 8:00pm
Next meeting on November 13, 2023 6:30pm