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#### **FES PTO MEETING MINUTES**

6:33pm - Meeting called to order

### Intro:

Welcome to attendees in-person and virtually

### **Principal's Report:**

- Job well done for the Trunk or Treat Event. Mr. Ward received many emails thankful for the event.
- Faculty & Staff paid their dues from the Fun Run competition. They got silly stringed on Nov. 3. A thank you to Mrs. Lourenco for taking photos. It was a fun event for all the children.
- Next Thursday, students will be participating/educated in an emergency response plan. They will learn about and practice a lockdown drill.

### Requests:

• First Grade How to Writing/Apple Sauce & Holiday Story Hour **Holiday Story:** Teach students about holidays celebrated around the world. Requesting \$150 for supplies (bags, dreidels, hot cocoa, cookies, etc)

Motion was made and approved for \$150

**Apple Sauce:** Students will learn how to make apple sauce and work on their 'how to' writing. Requesting \$100 for apples, sugar, bowls, and any other supplies.

Motion was made and approved for \$100

#### **Motions:**

- **Gym Equipment:** Ms. L'Heureux is requesting \$275 to purchase/replace equipment from Gopher Sports. This company provides a lifetime guarantee on their products.
  - Motion was made and approved for \$275
- **Fun Run Deposit:** PTO is requesting \$2500 to secure the date for next year's Fun Run.

Motion was made and approved for \$2500

### **Treasurer's Report:**

Beginning Ledger Balance: \$53,265.06 Ending Ledger Balance: \$122,060.31

## Recaps/Upcoming Events:

- **Dates for next year's Fun Run:** Kickoff on 10/3/22 with the run scheduled for 10/13/22
- **Trunk or Treat:** The event went well. Lessons learned to have additional volunteers to come before the event and set up. We will also need to start requesting candy donations earlier as well. We had a lot of great feedback about the contest.
- **Staff Holiday Appreciation:** Previous year hot cocoa bar was a success. Discussed additional gift/food/drink ideas.

# **Board Member Reports:**

- **Book Fair:** Next Scholastic Book Fair scheduled for Jan 31- Feb 4\
- **Amazon Smile:** Generate a buzz about setting up Freetown Elementary as the AmazonSmile charity. This can be used online or on the app.
- **Board Members:** We have a few board members that will be moving on at the end of the year. We are looking to recruit new members to the board.

#### **Notes/Questions:**

• **Shed:** What are the considerations to pick out a shed and have it set up outside to store gym equipment.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:36pm

Next Meeting will be: January 10, 2022

Alice Costa, FES PTO Secretary

Jessica Oliver, FES PTO Co-Chair