**PTO General Meeting Minutes ----- October 14, 2014 at TimberRidge library**

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| **Meeting Start** | Called to order by Anne Sheeley at 7:03pmIntroductions of all in attendance |
| **PTO Meeting Minutes** | Sept 2014 Minutes reviewed. Motion to approve Sept 2014 PTO General Meeting minutes made by Lauren Templeman, 2nd by Jason Arnold, all in favor, passed. |
| **Treasurer’s Report** | Reviewed: * Total Assets balance is $62,630 consisting of: Checking account $42,250, scrip account $100, and Playground CDs for $20,279. Adjusted non allocated balance is $34,355. Motion to approve made by Jason Arnold, 2nd by Sara Miller, all in favor, passed.
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| **Committee Updates** | * Entertainment Books – Profit of $8395 from sales.
* Purple Party – Funds of $1500 deposited from last year’s party.
* Summer Reading/Math Splash (Lauren T) –Dunk tank reward on Friday Sept 26th went very well. Warmed water prior and liked having it on separate day from the popsicle/book reward day as it might be too much to do all on one day.
* Skate Party (Penny D) –Thursday Oct 24th 6-8pm at Skate North, $6. This is an early out day. Parties are in exchange for providing free skate rental for school PE skating unit.
* Hospitality (Tammy D) (also Diana C, Amy W, and Raquel B) –Halloween Staff Treat day on October 24th. Volunteers needed to bring in a treat (must be from allergy friendly list), drop off Oct 23rd or by 9am Oct 24th in teacher’s lounge.
* Spirit Wear (Anne S) – Vendor selected, example order forms passed around. Will offer T-shirts and sweatshirts with the Johnston Fire J logo and TimberRidge, like the one used for the grade level shirts. Need to decide on color options. PTO vote was tie between just the Johnston theme colors purple/yellow/gray/black or a wider variety, so committee will decide to break tie. Prices are $9 or with $3 of each sale going back to the PTO as a fundraiser. Possibly send order forms the week of conferences.
* Cookie Dough Fundraiser – Sales are Oct 10th-20th. Need a few helpers to tally orders Oct 20th. Prizes for sales, limo lunch if $250 sold. Delivery/pick up date is Nov 13th and need volunteers to help unload truck, pass out orders, and contact those that don’t pick up.
* Communications/Website (Jason A) – site is updated with current information. Need to start up PTO newsletters again and add these. Link to form to request to contact a PTO board member, instead of listing emails to keep the junk mail down. If a committee chair would like to be added to links, let us know. Website and Blog are timberridgepto; Facebook is timberridgeptoelementary.
* Grant Committee – (Ginger Y) – Applications from staff due by 10/24/14. Committee to meet to review, then will bring recommendations to next PTO meeting to vote on. Need to have a minimum of $10,000 left in PTO account, then can grant up to 25% of balance. Note that District grants will not be decided until Nov 4th.
* Family Events (Lacey G) – Next event Oct 24th–Costume party in gym at the school from 630-830pm. School friendly costumes, no weapons/not too scary. Treats, games, prizes and DJ music provided. Bring a non-perishable item to donate to food bank. This is the no school Friday. Future events: Nov 14th- Drop in and Shop, Dec – Iowa Wild discount night, Jan – Sledding/Snow fun day, Spring – Iowa cubs game and Fun Run.
* Educational Rebates – Turn in by Nov 7th. Need more volunteers to help trim.
* Fall Book Fair (Sara M, Megan T) –Nov 7th set up, open Nov 10th to 18th same as conference week. Asking for volunteers to run cash register for daytime and the 2 conference evenings, especially first couple days when younger students come through, and for set up/tear down. Will send out volunteer spot sign up request. Earn Scholastic credit for teachers and for library to purchase new books.
* Purple Party (Jyll M chair, Mary S baskets, Amy W Pop/Cake/ Chip donations) – District wide Fundraiser event at High School on Jan 31st. Games/prizes to play and gift baskets to bid on.
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| **Old Business** | * Committee Chairs for 2014/2015 still needed –Some have been filled (see above), but still have openings for: Spring book fair and Yearbook Coordinator. Also need to look at filling positions for next year committees that have a 5th grade chair leaving and will need new PTO Board members.
* Purple Party District Steering Committee - Julie F attended Steering committee meeting and they are requesting volunteers from each school to help with the overall event: set up/ tear down, ticket sales, booths, etc. Meet once a month until January, then weekly.
* Pizza Ranch incentives – tabled until next meeting.
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| **New Business** | * District calendar – email Laura Dillavou at laura.dillavou@johnston.k12.ia.us to have events added to the Johnston district wide calendar
* Scrips fundraiser at holiday time – need more time to discuss at next meeting and if we decide to do this we need to make sure we have volunteers to help take, fill and distribute orders. Suggestion to have a booth at the conference nights to sell. Ordering directly online and delivery to home brought up but need to see if there is a fee for this.
* Secret Ballots – tabled until next meeting
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| **Timber Ridge News** | N/A  |
| **Disbursement Requests** | * 5 Mimeo Boards for new classrooms from last meeting had $4500 approved for the boards, but have an additional cost for the hand held devices of $1098, so total is now $5490. Motion to approve additional cost made by Lacey Giunta, 2nd by Lynn Cope, all in favor, passed.
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| **Adjourned** | At 8:20pm; motion to adjourn made by, 2nd by, passed. |
| **Attendance** | Anne Sheeley, Sandy Lindgren, Marcie Simons, Cheryl Henkenius, Candi Patras, Kristi Troncin, Ginger Yates, Lauren Templeman, Jaime Fageroos, Amy Withers, Julia Smith, Lacey Giunta, Sara Miller, Jason Arnold, Suzanne Downs,Jyll Miner, Megan Walterbach, Selena McClish, Lynn Ross Cope. |

**Reminder – See you at next meeting: Tuesday Nov 11, 2014 at 7:00pm at TR LMC**