

MEETING MINUTES April 2, 2019

Welcome - The meeting was called to order at 6:34pm

Those present: Marie Sager, President, Nikki Niccolai, Vice-President, Brad Schwer, Treasurer, Jodi Matthews, Secretary, Principal Roger Gahart, Bryan Hammond, Jennifer Tellez, Jackie Gerou

I. SECRETARY'S REPORT

The PSO Meeting Minutes of March 5, 2019, were approved on a Hammond/Tellez motion.

II. TREASURER'S REPORT

Checking	Opening Balance:	\$7,611.21
	Closing Balance:	\$31,216.76
Savings	Opening Balance:	\$457.47
	Closing Balance:	\$457.59

The Treasurer's Report was approved on a Tellez/Hammond motion.

III. COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Kenosha County Fair Display (Marie Sager) – The Kenosha County Fair will be held from Wednesday, August 14th through Sunday, August 18th. This year's theme is *Country Nights and Carnival Lights*. Staff members set the artwork up in the Education Building art display. Volunteers are always needed to monitor the display booth over a four-hour period on the day we are assigned. Beth will post on the PSO Facebook page about this opportunity. A perk to helping out for a shift is free admission to the Fair. Marie will reach out to 4H families. This is always a tough position to fill with volunteers. Shortly after the Fair ends the artwork needs to be taken down and safely returned to school.

IV. SOCIAL & ENTERTAINMENT

1. Spring Skating (message from Becky Keel) – The Spring Skating Party is scheduled for Thursday, April 18, 2019 at Traxside Skating in Burlington from 5:30pm to 8:00pm. A flyer was

sent home to get an estimate of how many people would be attending this family event and approximately one hundred thirty-five (135) people have replied they are attending. PSO will donate cupcakes from Sam's Club and will plan for one hundred fifty (150) cupcakes.

2. Kingfish Game (message from Beth LaBell) – Paris School will hold its third Kenosha Kingfish Game on Saturday, June 1, 2019. Ticket prices will again be twelve (\$12.00) dollars for adults and eight (\$8.00) dollars for children. PSO kicks in four (\$4.00) dollars towards each purchased child ticket. Two ticket packages will be available this year; ticket + a hat or ticket + a hotdog. Families will pick their tickets up at the "Will Call" window to ease the difficulty of sorting and dispersing of tickets. There will be a Facebook Event with more information coming. Order forms will come home the end of April. Beth will need volunteers for ticket tallying and money handling.

V. TEACHER AND STAFF SUPPORT

1. 3M Window Treatments and New Kiln (Roger Gahart) – Principal Gahart thanked the PSO Board for the support of this year's Literacy Unit and Spaghetti Supper. He feels the Literacy Unit Culminating Assembly was the best ever. The most common reviews of the 5th through 8th Grades field trip to Medieval Times was "best trip we've ever had!"

The 3M Shatterproof Window Treatments installation began over Spring Break and it is half done. The company may have to finish on a Saturday and are willing to do what it takes to complete it. All interior windows are complete, minus the office interior windows. All exterior classroom windows need to be completed yet and all exterior doors are complete.

The State of Wisconsin pricing for schools using the DOJ (Department of Justice) Grant for these window treatments was significantly less expensive. Paris School chose to use the Grant to install surveillance cameras, but the company installing the window treatments agreed to charge the state pricing. We previously estimated and allocated up to twenty-three thousand (\$23,000.00) dollars for these window treatments, but are now being charged seventeen thousand (\$17,000.00) dollars, matching the state pricing and saving six thousand (\$6,000.00) dollars.

Roger was given the opportunity to take a brand-new kiln off the hands of a local company located in Yorkville. The kiln has a value of two thousand five hundred (\$2,500.00) dollars and it was a donation to our school.

Roger proposed the idea of building a kiln room within the Art Room now that we own two kilns and with the savings of six thousand (\$6,000.00) dollars from the 3M Window Treatments.

A Tellez/Hammond motion was made and approved to re-allocate the twenty-three thousand (23,000.00) dollars previously allocated at the February Meeting to seventeen thousand (\$17,000.00) dollars for the 3M Shatterproof Window Treatments leaving six thousand (\$6,000.00) dollars reserved to build a kiln room.

2. 8th Grade Graduation (message from Margie Blair) – The 8th Grade Graduation Dinner and

Fundraiser is scheduled for Thursday, April 11, 2019. Margie is asking the PSO to contribute the one thousand (\$1,000.00) dollars that is typically given each year for Eighth Grade Graduation expenses.

A Tellez/Hammond motion was made and approved to allocate one thousand (\$1,000.00) dollars for Eighth Grade Graduation needs.

3. Literacy Unit (message from Margie Blair) – Margie thanks the PSO for their continued support of the Literacy Unit. Many cards of thanks from students were shared tonight.

VI. FUNDRAISING

1. Spaghetti Supper Report (message from Beth LaBell) – Marie started off by saying she felt the entire evening ran so efficiently serving over one thousand (1,000) guests! Spaghetti Supper brought in over thirty-three thousand (\$33,000.00) dollars, exceeding the 2018 Spaghetti Supper by over four thousand (\$4,000.00) dollars!

Sponsorships were up by more than two thousand (\$2,000.00) dollars from last year. The items provided by Sysco were covered by the school. The pasta, sauce, meatballs, salad, and coffee were all donated items. The Dessert Live Auction brought in one thousand six hundred (\$1,600.00) dollars in funds! Thank you to Jackie Gerou for chairing this part of the Spaghetti Supper. The new procedure for volunteers to hold raffle tickets for those guests who could not stay for the drawings worked out extremely well. It is estimated that at least one thousand one hundred (\$1,100.00) dollars came from that alone. The logging procedure of the winners and claiming their prizes also worked out well. A huge thank you to Kris Grenyo for coming up with the new procedure and for coordinating Alums to assist with that. A two hundred (\$200.00) dollar donation came in this week.

Thank-you letters are wrapping up and will be sent out this week.

This year's fundraising efforts exceeds seventy thousand (\$70,000.00) dollars!

Paris School's 2019 Spaghetti Supper was a tremendous success and it's all because of the wonderful families, staff members, and guests that make it possible!

One thing mentioned for improvements is the way the cash boxes are set up. It was asked if the cash boxes could be set up the night before or earlier than the rush of people who arrive around 3:30pm. Principal Gahart offered for the school to take care of the cash boxes, set them up, and just get reimbursed for the funds used to start it up later. This will make things easier for all, especially Brad.

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

1. POPS (Nikki Niccolai) – The next PAWS Store will be held on Wednesday, April 10, 2019.

2. PSO Board Nomination Status – The position of PSO Vice President is still open.

3. Drawstring Bags (Marie Sager) – Marie was given approximately one hundred (100) black, red, and white drawstring bags that say *Terrific Kids* on them. Some ideas mentioned for when they could be used are for the Eighth Grade Graduation Fundraiser, Young Authors Night, or the Kindergarten Mixer.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, May 7, 2019 This meeting was adjourned at 7:28pm

Respectfully Submitted By: Jodi Matthews, Secretary Minutes Approved: May 7, 2019