

MEETING MINUTES September 10, 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, Beth LaBell, Jennifer Morgan, Jen Ludwig, Kris Kordecki, Ashley Lenfestey, Bryan Hammond, Jackie Gerou, LeAnn Drissel, Ryan Niccolai, Melissa Swartz, Kari Willms, Jessica Kasprowicz

I. SECRETARY'S REPORT

All PSO meeting notes for the 2018-2019 school year are up on the school's website. The minutes from the last meeting of the 2018-2019 school year held in May were officer-approved via email.

II. TREASURER'S REPORT

Checking	Opening Balance:	\$34,745.32
	Closing Balance:	\$14,494.79
Savings	Opening Balance:	\$457.70
	Closing Balance:	\$458.17

The breakdown of remaining commitments is below:

Item	Amount Approved	Amount Spent	Amount Remaining
Kiln Room	\$ 6,000.00	\$ -	\$ 6,000.00
Kingfish Tickets	\$ 1,344.00	\$ -	\$ 1,344.00
Technology Allocation	\$ 7,000.00	\$ -	\$ 7,000.00
RedPages	\$ 60.00	\$ -	\$ 60.00
Total	\$ 14,404.00	\$ -	\$ 14,404.00

The Kiln Room invoice is in the amount of four thousand seven hundred seven dollars and one cent (\$4,707.01) and the Software License is in the amount of six thousand two hundred eighty-two (\$6,282.00) dollars.

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

III. APPROVAL OF NEW OFFICERS

A Gerou/Swartz motion was made and passed to approve Marie Sager continue as PSO President and Nikki Niccolai to continue as PSO Vice-President.

IV. COMMUNITY OUTREACH

- **1. RedPages (message from Holly Dammann)** Cover contest entries were due Monday, September 9, 2019. Contest judging was completed by 10:00am on Tuesday, September 10, 2019. Editing has been completed and turned in to Holly. Production of the RedPages (printing and binding) will be completed soon with distribution happening possibly Friday. Contest winners and all submissions for the lower grades will receive Paws and upper grades will receive Panther Bucks.
- 2. Panther Pride/CHS Homecoming Float (Beth LaBell) This is the seventh year that CHS's feeder schools have been invited to compete in building homecoming floats and participating in the Homecoming Parade on the Wednesday prior to Homecoming. This is a way to get involvement from the feeder schools. Paris School uses the trailer of a friend of Mr. Pace. The winning school receives one hundred (\$100.00) dollars. In the past when Paris School wins the competition, we donate or "pay forward" the one hundred (\$100.00) dollar prize money. The past two years the owner of the trailer received a gift in the amount of one hundred (\$100.00) dollars. The theme is unknown at this time

A Swartz/Morgan motion was made and approved to allocate up to four hundred (\$400.00) dollars for float supplies.

3. Growing with Bristol Event (Kris Kordecki) – This is a free family-friendly event full of fun activities held in Hansen Park in Bristol. The final one of the season will be held on Saturday, September 21, 2019 and Paris School has been invited and agreed to sponsor the "movie in the park" portion of the event. The day begins with a 7:00am pancake breakfast, vendors arrive at 9:30am, and the movie will be shown at 7:00pm. Some options were that PSO have a booth, sell concessions (ideas mentioned were cookies, candy, hot dogs, water) in the concession stand (approximately from 6:00pm to 8:00pm), and include something in the goody bags offered to the first five hundred (500) people. Volunteers would be needed to help with this event.

V. SOCIAL AND ENTERTAINMENT

1. Halloween Party – The Halloween Party is a Paris Community event with refreshments, games, and activities. The Niccolai Family has taken over the leadership for this annual event.

Although the idea of making the Halloween Party a school-wide event was brought up and considered, it will remain a two-part event with Kindergarten through fourth grades attending from 6:00pm to 7:30pm and fifth through eighth grades attending from 8:00pm to 10:00pm. Other ideas thrown out to make some changes were a haunted hallway, face painting, mummy contest, pumpkin carving contest. The costume contest will remain as part of the lower grades party, but the upper grades could also have one.

A sign-up sheet or Sign-Up Genius could be used to schedule volunteers for this event. As always, we would need party set-up and clean-up, help with treats and refreshments in the cafeteria, and hallway and gym monitors.

This event also kicks off Share Basket. This year's date for the party is Wednesday, October 23, 2019. Typically, the Town of Paris donates two hundred and fifty (\$250.00) dollars. This pays for the party's DJ, Spoon Bailey.

A Kordecki/Ludwig motion was made and approved to allocate up to three hundred (\$300.00) dollars for needed Halloween Party supplies.

VI. TEACHER AND STAFF SUPPORT

1. Teacher Wish Lists (message from Theresa Schwer) – Since 2009, PSO has supplied full-time and part-time teachers with money to use for classroom supplies and materials. Staff can either turn in their receipt(s) or order something. Theresa Schwer has agreed to chair the Teacher Wish Lists again this year. She typically sends something out to teachers at the end of October / beginning of November. Full-time teachers receive one hundred fifty (\$150.00) dollars and part-time teachers receive seventy-five (\$75.00) dollars. There are currently sixteen (16) full-time and four (4) part-time teachers.

A Kordecki/Drissel motion was made and approved to allocate two thousand seven hundred (\$2,700.00) dollars for Teacher Wish Lists.

2. Junior Achievement (message from Mary Berce) – Mrs. Berce is requesting funding for an opportunity for the fifth grade to participate in and attend Junior Achievement in Spring. Junior Achievement of Wisconsin offers a program for students called JA Biz Town, which is a wonderful opportunity to participate in a day-long visit to a fully-interactive, real-life simulated town.

Spots fill up quickly so a date of April 22, 2020 was scheduled. The cost would remain the same as last year at twenty-two (\$22.00) dollars per student plus the cost of bussing. There are currently thirty-one (31) fifth grade students and one bus would be needed.

The PSO Board showed full support to continue to fully fund this wonderful program and opportunity for our students.

A Morgan/Drissel motion was made and approved to allocate one thousand (\$1,000.00) dollars for participation in and bussing service to the Junior Achievement program next Spring.

VII. FUNDRAISING

1. Panther Prowl (Beth LaBell) – This year's 14th Annual Panther Prowl has been set for Saturday, October 12, 2019. The kick-off assembly will be held on Friday, September 13, 2019, at 2:30pm and students will receive their fundraising packets at that time. Packet assembly will take place on Thursday, September 12, 2019 in the cafeteria.

Not much information regarding the Prowl was discussed during the PSO Meeting because a Prowl Planning Meeting immediately followed the PSO Meeting. See Beth if you're interested in helping out or getting involved in any way!

VIII. POST-EVENT FOLLOW-UP

1. 2019 Kenosha County Fair Display (Marie Sager) – This event is always very difficult with getting volunteers but it went well and smoothly. A huge thank you goes out to Kris Kordecki who helped with tearing down the student artwork in the Education Building. It was beautifully decorated by a team of teachers over the summer.

A Kordecki/Swartz motion was made and approved for PSO to allocate two hundred (\$200.00) dollars for materials used for this year's Fair Display.

- 2. Kindergarten Mixer (Nikki Niccolai) This was Nikki's first year chairing this yearly event and it went well.
- **3. Open House (Marie Sager)** A PSO table was not setup for this year's Open House.

IV. OTHER BUSINESS

1. POPS (Nikki Niccolai) – The PAWS Store is a "store" that is open once a month for students to "shop" at using their Paws earned from demonstrating positive actions and behavior. Nikki has agreed to chair it again this year. It will continue to be on the second Wednesday of each month, with the first one being held on October 9, 2019.

A motion was made and approved to allocate one thousand (\$1000.00) dollars for start-up and three hundred (\$300.00) dollars to maintain the POPS Store on a monthly basis.

Nikki will also continue to serve as Middle School POPS Chair. The Middle School receives and uses "Bucks" to buy snacks, school supplies, or special items the Middle School staff offers. Eighth grade students are given the opportunity at the end of the school year to turn in their "Bucks" in exchange for a gift card; students order and PSO coordinates and delivers.

A Kordecki/Lenfestey motion was made and approved to allocate one thousand (\$1000.00) dollars for PAWS Store start-up, three hundred (\$300.00) dollars to maintain the PAWS Store on a monthly basis, and three hundred (\$300.00) dollars to start-up and maintain the Middle School POPS Store on a monthly basis.

- **1. Wish Lists and School News (Principal Gahart)** Each year Principal Gahart and Staff come up with "Wish List" ideas that would come from funds raised throughout this next school year. Some items on his list had already been covered during the meeting, but the remaining items were brought up and talked about more extensively.
 - **A. Reading Benches Repair:** The addition of the Kiln Room was originally estimated to cost six thousand (\$6,000.00) dollars but it actually came in much lower resulting in a savings of approximately one thousand three hundred (\$1,300.00) dollars. With that amount of money saved, it was decided to have Chris Johnson (who helped with the Kiln Room) repair the reading benches along the Community Path. These benches are unique and special having been made from logs right across the street. These benches needed to be repaired and can now be used again, lasting for a long time. The total cost of the repair was six hundred eighty-three (\$683.00) dollars.

A Gerou/Kasprowicz motion was made and approved to allocate six hundred eighty-three (\$683.00) dollars for repairing the reading benches.

B. Purchase of a Baritone Saxophone: Mr. Warmuth is requesting PSO support the purchase of a Baritone Saxophone for his classroom. In addition to him using it within his classroom or at music programs, he estimates at least one student during a school year would also benefit from using/borrowing it. Students who borrow it would be responsible for the maintenance of it. He found one for sale he would be interested in purchasing for two thousand four hundred (\$2,400.00) dollars.

A Kasprowicz/Drissel motion was made and approved to allocate two thousand four hundred (\$2,400.00) dollars for the purchase of a Baritone Saxophone.

C. Purchase of Additional Middle School Lockers: The younger students have recently benefitted from the purchase of the new playground. The purchase of additional lockers would serve and help out our Middle School students tremendously. Matching tall red lockers would allow for all seventh and eighth

grade students to have their own full-size locker. Sixth grade students would then get both an upper and lower locker. There would be no more sharing of a space or getting knocked in the head. This would be a ten thousand (\$10,000.00) dollar enhancement to the Middle School hallway.

A Kordecki/Swartz motion was made and approved to allocate ten thousand (\$10,000.00) dollars for the installation of additional lockers for Middle School students.

> Next Meeting: Tuesday, October 1, 2019 This meeting was adjourned at 8:06pm

Respectfully Submitted By: Jodi Matthews, Secretary

Minutes Approved: October 1, 2019

