

Cragin PTO regular Meeting Minutes (DRAFT-to be approved at next meeting)

September 20, 2022

5pm on via Zoom

Attending

Elizabeth Niemeyer (President and Acting Secretary)

Pat Schwichtenberg (Vice President)

Jonathan Niemeyer (Treasurer)

Alex Rodriguez (Principal)

Leesa Smith (Teacher)

Kelsay Knutson (Teacher)

Jennie Ratliff (Teacher)

Cassie Gonzales (Staff)

Brandi Mitchell (Parent)

Bridgett Patterson (Parent)

Sara Lopez (Parent)

Lucy Comber (Parent)

Meeting called to order

5:21pm

Quorum met

Approve Minutes

Motion to approve-Pat

Second to approve-Jon

Approved unanimously, no discussion or corrections.

Treasurer's report

We have a balance of \$2,275.85 in the account. We have been spending some money for movie night and other small expenses.

Motion to approve-Pat

Second to approve-Lessa

Approved unanimously

Principal Report

We now have a community liaison for the school, Cassie Gonzales. We are very happy to have her here with us. She will be helping out with the PTO and taking the load off the principal.

Mr. Butler from Northminister church, is getting some volunteers from the congregation to help out at the school. Also, Larry Graham donated money to the school. It was used that to purchase nice headphones for the kids to use during testing.

We should have a nighttime custodian very soon. We are finalizing the hiring process. The higher custodians are making sure the school is very clean and done the right way. We have a school counselor coming soon, waiting for her papers to get authorized. Benchmark testing

starts next week, and we are ready for that. Lastly, we are excited for the first event happening next week, Movie night showing Encanto.

Committee Reports

Bylaws

We are changing some of the sections to make it easier for the PTO.

It will now say, On **Article IV: Section 4:Terms of office**-Should an officer election not result in an election of a President, Vice President, Secretary, or Treasurer, current officers may remain in their positions for an additional term.

Motioned to accept-Jon
Seconded by Pat
Vote UA

It will now say, **Article V:Meetings Section 1. Regular Meetings**- The regular meeting of the organization shall be conducted monthly, meeting dates and times shall be determined at the August meeting of each school year.

Motioned to accept-Pat
Seconded by Jon
Vote UA

Cougar store

First store of the year opens this Friday! We will have a \$3, \$5, \$10, and up table. We have volunteers, they are all cleared to work.

Fundraisers

The School Store is doing great. We have raised over \$590 so far. A Lot of people are buying gift cards for the teachers and that is close to \$5,000.

Club Choice starts tomorrow, looking forward to this fundraiser. It will go till 10/5.

Movie Night

We will be showing Encanto on September 30th @6pm. We have some decorations and I need to finish some more. I made a life-size Mirabel. She is amazing and we will bring her out next week at parent pick. The kids will love her.

For the food we will have, Hot dogs, Nachos, chips, candy, sodas, water, lemonade and free popcorn. I still need to purchase some of the supplies.

Spooky Reading Night

We are going to have our passports again. Might even use the same design for them. They get a passport in the beginning and get it stamped at each reader and then redeem it for a bag of candy. We are going to reuse the flyers from last year to promote this.

We will be decorating the halls like last time too. We had lights and decorations all over the place. 18 high school volunteers might be able to help us run this event.

We could have a reading contest and the student council could vote on the winners.

The candy monster is going to have his picture taken all over the place looking for candy. Then Mr. Rodriguez is going to show the kids in morning announcements. We might get the brown bags from Sam's and just decorate them/

Ratliff is doing really great with the haunted house, of course there may need to be some adjustments but it will work out. She also needs some volunteers to help set it up and run it.

T-shirts

Big Frog keeps having us start over each time I either email them or go in person. Not getting anywhere with them.

Zag reached out and they have decent prices and can be here in 10 days. This is for one color, but I will reach out to find out more about adding more colors to the design.

To switch over to Zag for them to do the shirts, instead of Big Frog:

Motioned by Pat

Seconded by Rodriguez

Vote UA

I will still order the staff polos from Big Frog since they still have some of our designs.

Open Floor

Maybe do something for kids who can't afford a t-shirt? So far we haven't had that problem but we can figure out something if the need arises.

Hopefully we can have a kickball team again this year.

Motion to adjourn -Pat and 2nd-Jon

Unanimous -6:15pm