



MEETING MINUTES September 8, 2020

Welcome - The meeting was called to order at 6:33pm

Those present: Nikki Niccolai, President, Katie Niebuhr, 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, Marie Sager, Jenna Hass, Jered Reinersman

I. SECRETARY'S REPORT

All PSO meeting notes for the 2019-2020 school year are up on the school's website. The minutes from May's virtual meeting were officer-approved via email.

II. TREASURER'S REPORT

Checking	Opening Balance:	\$14,302.01
	Closing Balance:	\$8,655.21
Savings	Opening Balance:	\$458.85
	Closing Balance:	\$459.01

The breakdown of remaining commitments is below:

Item	Amount Approved	Amount Spent	Amount Remaining
Paws Store 2019-2020	\$ 2,520.00	\$ 2,200.00	\$ 320.00
Preschool Banner	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ 100.00
Total	\$ 2,620.00	\$ 2,200.00	\$ 420.00

There are no expenses for the Kindergarten Mixer and Open House to report; these events were sponsored by the Niccolai Family. Thank you, Nikki, Ryan, and Owen!!!

The remaining Paws Store balance is for former eighth grade students redeeming their "Bucks" for a gift card. As previously discussed and allocated in April's virtual meeting, all eighth-grade students will receive a ten (\$10.00) dollar Amazon online gift card. Nikki is coordinating and will send out emails.

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

III. APPROVAL OF NEW OFFICERS

A Kordecki/Sager motion was made and approved for Nikki Niccolai to move into the position of PSO President

and Katie Niebuhr joins the Board as Vice President. Thank you, Katie!!!

IV. COMMUNITY OUTREACH

1. Panther RedPages (message from Holly Dammann) – The Panther RedPages is a school family “directory,” if you choose to have your information in it. A cover contest with student artwork is always offered and all submissions are shown throughout the RedPages. Holly is open to either continuing with the RedPages as we have always made and distributed them or she suggested sending out an electronic copy to families this year. She said it takes countless hours and many volunteers to edit, copy, assemble, and bind the RedPages. Typically, it costs sixty (\$60.00) dollars for supplies. She estimates it could be December before a paper copy could potentially be sent home. Roger is on board for an electronic copy that only school families would have access to directly from the Paris School website. Holly has only received one (1) cover contest submission at the time of her meeting message, but, she could have received more being today was the due date.

2. Panther Pride/CHS Homecoming Float (Beth LaBell) – This is the eighth 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 year’s parade is scheduled for Wednesday, October 7, 2020. This is a way to get involvement from the feeder schools. Paris School uses the trailer of a friend of Mr. Pace. The theme is unknown at this time. Paris School chose to cancel our participation in the parade last year due to inclement weather. We are unsure of the condition of the decorations used or if they are even with the trailer.

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

V. SOCIAL AND ENTERTAINMENT

1. Halloween Party – The Halloween Party is unfortunately canceled this year being this event is held indoors. Nikki will contact the DJ and cancel with him.

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. Full-time teachers receive one hundred fifty (\$150.00) dollars and part-time teachers receive seventy-five (\$75.00) dollars. The staff has increased slightly this year due to schedule changes. There are currently seventeen (17) full-time and seven (7) part-time teachers.

A Kordecki/Gerou motion was made and approved to allocate three thousand seventy-five (\$3,075.00) dollars for Teacher Wish Lists.

VII. FUNDRAISING

1. Panther Prowl (Beth LaBell) – This year marks the 15th Annual Panther Prowl and it has been set for Saturday, October 17, 2020. Typically, the kick-off assembly would be held this coming Friday, but it needs to be reconfigured due to separated wings. Ideas on how to hold a socially distanced school-wide assembly or each wing holding separate assemblies were discussed. It was decided that holding three separate assemblies for K-2,

3-5, and 6-8 in the gym using the stage would be best. Showing last year's video and student excitement is a great way to kick off this event.

Several modifications are needed for this year's Panther Prowl. Typically, students who raise one hundred (\$100.00) dollars or higher earn a night at Action Territory and the top two earners per wing have always earned a Limo Lunch for them and a friend. Action Territory could still be used as an incentive having it at the family's discretion if their child(ren) participate. Or, in lieu of Action Territory, a theater(s) could be rented out at Cinemark in Kenosha. In lieu of a limo lunch, a special lunch in a camper in the school parking lot could be held.

There will be no bake sale, but prepackaged treats are definitely an option to sell. Concessions could continue, but also using prepackaged foods.

Beth would like to hold a packet assembly this Thursday.

Contact Beth if you're interested in helping out or getting involved in any way!

VIII. POST-EVENT FOLLOW-UP

1. Kindergarten Mixer (Nikki Niccolai) – This event went well. Kindergarten teachers, Ms. Blair, and Beth LaBell led this event. Students had the opportunity to take a short bus ride and they received a button and cookie made by Andrea Burgess.

IX. OTHER BUSINESS

1. POPS (Nikki Niccolai) – Nikki will continue to chair POPS again this year, for both the Paws Store and for the Middle School "Bucks" program. 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. It will continue to be on the second Wednesday of each month and we are hopeful it can resume in October. It will be taken on a month to month basis. Ultimately, the deciding factors will be COVID-19 restrictions and the ability to have volunteers back in the building.

The Middle School receives and uses "Bucks" to buy snacks, school supplies, or any other special items. 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 motion was made and approved to allocate one thousand (\$1000.00) dollars for start-up of the Paws Store, three hundred (\$300.00) dollars to maintain the Paws Store on a monthly basis for seven (7) months, and three hundred (\$300.00) dollars to start up and maintain the Middle School Store.

A Sager/Kordecki motion was made and approved to allocate three thousand four hundred (\$3,400.00) dollars to start up and maintain both POPS stores.

2. 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.

A. New Drinking Fountains – The idea of replacing drinking fountains that can accommodate water bottles in each hallway was originally brought up in February's PSO Meeting. Since then, it has been determined that filtered fountains would be best. When it was originally researched, non-filtered fountains would cost

approximately nine hundred (\$900.00) dollars each. A higher quality fountain with filters would cost more. Fundraising this year will be so unpredictable, but if necessary, this is something that could be included on the District Budget side.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, October 6, 2020
This meeting was adjourned at 7:55pm

Respectfully Submitted By:
Jodi Matthews, Secretary
Minutes Approved: October 6, 2020