**Las Sendas Elementary PTO Meeting Minutes:**

January 29, 2019

Las Sendas Elementary School Parent-Teacher Organization (PTO) met on a make-up date due to the Grace Dearborn conference in the media center at Las Sendas Elementary (LSE) 3120 N. Red Mountain RD on January 29, 2019. Meeting was called to order at 3:25 pm.

**Approval of October Meeting Minutes:** Jennifer Berkshire

Motion to approve December 2018 minutes was made by Mrs. Reis. Second by Ms. Lombardi. Motion passed.

**Treasurer’s Report:** Emily Scanlan

Emily Scanlan reviewed the PTO budget and explained the Balance Sheet. PTO has a balance of $37,401.64 with an operating balance after encumbering funds of $25,570.64. The media center has a balance of $5360.50.

**Principal’s Report:**

 Mr. Kaczmarek reported the Grace Dearborn continuing education presentation was excellent. He thanked the PTO for funding the presentation and said teachers are implementing many of her strategies and it is benefiting both the students and teachers.

**Review of December:** Jennifer Berkshire

1. We hope everyone’s parent teacher conferences went well.
2. In order to fulfill one of our goals for this school year we gave Jill the funds for purchasing laptops and iPads for K-2. We will report when delivery of the devices is made.
3. We sent out a “fundraising” drive to K-3 requesting each family donate $15.00 to help purchase violins for the Suzuki program. This will allow us to hold grade level concerts. In two weeks, we have collected $2543 with about a 25% participation rate. We will be holding these funds until another Suzuki funding drive can be completed to get closer to our goal of $6000.

**Fundraising:**  Cynthia Watts

1. Mrs. Micela’s class won the November Papa John’s contest and enjoyed their pizza party.
2. The Box Tops contest continues through March 22 and the winning class will win a cupcake party!
3. The next Dining Night Out (DNO) is at Barro’s Pizza on February 20, 2019 and runs all day from 10:00 am – 10:30 pm.

**Events:** Courtney Baker

1. The Lego 2 Movie Night at Harkins is on February 12, 2019. We rented a theater at Harkins Superstition Springs Theaters for the viewing. The Theater opens at 5:00 pm and the movie starts at 5:30 pm. Tickets will be on sale after school on February 6-12 in front of the office. Tickets are cash only; $7/ ticket. All children must be accompanied by an adult.
2. The Spring Fling will be held Saturday March 2, 2019 from 12:00 pm–4:00 pm. There will be 7 food trucks, 6 bouncy activities, 5 carnival games, a Dunk Booth, a DJ, Face Painting and a Photo Booth. MacDonald Orthodontics is sponsoring the DJ. KOR Properties and Realtor Cynthia Watts is sponsoring the Face Painting. Student Counsel is sponsoring the Dunk Tank and will be selling balls to throw at the dunk tank. Wrist bands will be sold for the bounce activities at $5/band. Carnival games are free.

**Communications:** Danielle Brewer

A drawing was held for a Lego 2 Movie basket with a ticket for the Lego 2 Movie and goodies. Mrs. Reis was the lucky winner!

**New Business:** Jennifer Berkshire

1. Penny Wars is on in the Media Center. This year funds will support the media center and music. Tomorrow is double points day. Every day is something different and fun. Check out Stephanie Drew’s Facebook page for the media center.
2. It was discussed that we help out the Special Education Department as we have done for the PE department and for Suzuki. We will ask for this funding in February after the Lego 2 Movie and Cupid’s Cards profits are in.
3. A vote for the 2018-2019 Yearbook cover picture was completed. Winner of the yearbook cover picture was #5, Serena Ryder. Back picture cover was #11, Grace Keenan and the title page picture winner was #4, Sienna Tan. Congratulations to all the winners and everyone’s beautiful artwork.
4. Drama Club continues to practice. Motion to encumber $355.00 that has come in from registration. Motion to encumber $355.00 for Drama Club was made by Ms. Lombardi. Second by Mrs. Zima. Motion passed.
5. Motion to encumber $2,250.00 for the auction. Motion to encumber $2,250 for the auction was made by Mrs. Reis. Second by Mr. Cuocci. Motion passed.
6. Motion to encumber $8,642.92 for the Student Counsel. This is the money for the Coyote Chase; the initial announcement of totals plus half of the $428 which was collected later. Motion to encumber $8,642.92 for Student Counsel was made by Mrs. Reis. Second by Ms. Lombardi. Motion passed.
7. Motion to encumber $500.00 for Cupid’s cards. Valentine’s Day is coming up and we are doing Cupid’s cards again. This year we have partnered with Sweet Yummyness. Nessreen will be making 4-inch cookies for us to sell. We will have cookies for $5, stuffed bears for $3 and Valentine lollypops for $2. Combos can be made with any items. Motion to encumber $500.00 for Cupid’s cards was made by Mrs. Reis. Second by Mr. Cuocci. Motion passed.
8. Motion to encumber $2,5430.00 for a Suzuki equipment. This is what we brought in from the Suzuki Violin Drive and will be held until more funds are raised to make a purchase of violins. Motion to encumber $2,5453.00 for Suzuki equipment was made by Mrs. Zima. Second by Ms. Lombardi. Motion passed.
9. Motion to encumber $6,500.00 for yearbooks. This is half of what we need for the yearbooks. This money comes back to us and we even make a small profit. Motion to encumber $6,500.00 for yearbooks was made by Mr. Cuocci. Second by Ms. Lombardi. Motion passed.

**General Housekeeping**:

Motion to unencumber the following:

 $31.98 from Pizza Party

 $368.00 from Technology

 $160.91 from Wednesday Envelopes

Motion to unencumber $560.89 for the above listed events was made by Ms. Lombardi. Second by Mrs. Reis. Motion passed.

**Upcoming Events**:

January 30- February 8 – Cupid’s Cards on sale

February 12 – Lego Movie Night at Harkins Superstition Springs Theater

February 20 – Barro’s Dining Night Out

February 26 – PTO meeting

**Next PTO meeting will be February, 26 2018 at 4:15pm in the media center.**

**Meeting Adjourned**

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Ms. Lombardi. Second by Mr. Cuocci. Motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 4:04 pm.