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Crooked Lake PTO Minutes November 22, 2016

Co-Chairperson Trisha Gunville called the meeting to order

- Introductions-16 in attendance

Co-Chairperson Trisha Gunville:

- None at this time

Co-Chairperson Gretchen Jerskey:

- CLS parents Facebook page effective way to get the word out about student needs.

Treasurer's Report:

- Presented and approved
- Thank you card from teacher for Staff Dinner at conferences
- School Supply Toolbox (company that was used for school supply boxes this year) donated money to Feed My Starving Children-over 319 children will be fed for a year.
- Interested person needed to lead this next year. (School Supply Toolbox) 1-2 hours time.
- Movie Night-December 9 Donations for Shelter Care for Kids: Hats and Gloves, candy, water and pop will be sold.

Secretary's Report:

- Approved minutes from October with change to Funding request from Betsy Johnson Destination Imagination
- Add chair names to end of minutes

Principal's Report: Mr. Sam Anderson

- Recess Para opening
- Reading Corps positions still open
- Literacy Support 0.7 position open. 4 days per week
- Thank you for Destination Imagination teams this year.
- APEX wants to come back and enhance what CL is doing. December 5-16
- Wargo Nature Center coming to CL December 13 Loon Presentation for 5-3
- January 5 Raptor presentation for 4-5
- Veteran's Day presentation went well
- Feedback on fee pay (online field trip sign up)
- December 22 Laura Ingalls Wilder Play 10:00 AM Also "Elegant Lunch"

Staff Report: Ms. Boekhoff and Mrs. Ledin

- Will need some volunteer help for "Elegant Lunch"
- Question about APEX questions from parents
- I Love to Read Month (February)Coordinator Holly Groebner
 - "I Love to Read Night" January 27 5:00-7:00 pm
 - Chromebooks available for parents to check out Wonders
 - Looking for PTO help (volunteers) with Bingo and Book Walk-Mary Daumann can help recruit volunteers
 - School wide scavenger hunt, make a bookmark, possible Anoka County Library representative, maybe some local authors to do readings, possible food, resource room, bingo, book walk, have fifth graders read to younger kids
 - Need a volunteer station, "roaming volunteer" to make sure things are running smoothly
 - Daytime activities also included during the month of February
 - Book swap in February during the day-maybe have it at night?
- 4th grade Bakken Museum will come to CL Will have 3 different learning activities-Magnets and electricity. \$5 per student cost to be paid by families

Mrs. Bowman:Lost and Found table has a plan! Volunteer to organize table and put pictures of items on Crooked Lake parents Facebook page. Will be bagged up and donated on the first of every month. (After movie night would be the first donation)

Volunteer Coordinator’s Report: Ms. Candie Hansen

- Voting Day Volunteers helped direct traffic as community members come to our school to cast their votes. These volunteers also assisted community members find their correct polling place if they came to Crooked Lake in error. They also assisted in projects for both our office and Veterans Day preparations while they were manning the table.
- Additional volunteers were in the building to help assemble the flag display in the Connecting Link in honor of the veterans of our school community.
- 3 Volunteers attended the district training this month for Math Plus+ and will be leading after school groups with this program. One for 2nd grade, one for 3rd grade and one for 4th grade. Those sessions will all begin in the next 2 weeks.
- 1 Challenge reading group for 5th grade began this month.
- A DI informational meeting for families was held on Wed., 11/16 and preparations are on-going for this program at Crooked Lake. We may possibly have 3 teams of DI students this year at Crooked Lake. All possible leaders have been processed to the necessary clearance level for this task.
- New round of training sessions for both the K Skillbuilder program and the Challenge Reading program:
 - K Skillbuilder – Tuesday, January 10, 6:00-8:30 p.m.
 - Challenge Reading – Thursday, January 12, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
- Formal Luncheon volunteers will be solicited for December 22. When our students come back to school after attending the play at Coon Rapids High, our staff and parents alike will continue the “cultural experience” by dressing up and assisting our students as they would be treated at a restaurant. 10-12 volunteers assisted our staff last year with this great experience.
- 248 Volunteers

Old Business:

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New Business

- APEX fun run and/or other fundraisers discussion
 - My Fun Run-has an online portal to collect money but checks go directly to Crooked Lake (no fees)
 - How does it impact next year’s budget?
 - Discussion tabled for December
- Surveys for parents and staff-How can PTO more positively impact the school as opposed to just being a funding mechanism?
- Funding requests

Requestor	Description	Amount	Grade	Notes	Action
Maureen Ledin	Time for Kids Subscription	\$295.00	2nd	Current events non-fiction weekly magazine with activities that can back up current reading curriculum and is part of social studies	
Barb Boekhoff	I Love to Read Month	\$300	All	Book purchases for I Love to Read Month events-kick off night, book swap	Approved (due to time constraints)
Julie Bowman	Kindness Project	\$320.00	Staff	T-shirts for all staff promoting Kindness Project (school year theme)	
Betsy Johnson	Destination Imagination	\$600	All	For Three D-I teams, \$50/team for shirts, \$150/team for team challenges	
Julie Bowman	Winter	\$880	All	All school field trip to see holiday play	Approved (due to

	Holiday Field Trip			at Coon Rapids High School	time constraints)
Julie Bowman	Kindness Project	\$2,500	All	T-shirts for all students promoting Kindness Project (school year theme)	
Barb Boekhoff	Kindness Retreat	\$2,295	4th	Youth Frontiers provides a stellar day long presentation including music, skits, games, discussion, and small groups on bullying, kindness, leadership, building friendships, and social skills.	

- Bussing and Book Stipend approved (\$1180)

Adjourned at 8:01 by Chair Gunville

Carnival Chair:

5th grade Farewell party Chair:

Community Picnic Chair:

Staff Appreciation Dinner Chair: