

# Monroe Elementary PTO Meeting Minutes

10-3-16

**Meeting brought to order at 6:32 p.m.**

**Board Members Present:**

Angela Vetsch, President  
Sara Yee, Vice President  
Lisa Formo, Treasurer  
Marne Muhr, Secretary  
Cheryl Snyder, Member-at-large

**Staff Present:**

Donna Riberich, Volunteer Services Coordinator  
Amy Oliver, Principal  
Scott Mattis, Assistant Principal  
Kristin Contons  
Ms. Reshetar, 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade  
Ms. Schultz, Art Teacher

**Parents Present:**

Char Clear, Beth Lovre, Kimberly Carpenter

**Guest speakers:**

**STEMpede update from Kristin Contons:**

250 participants registered so far, 40 staff, approximately 350-400 people coming, ordering t-shirts, corporate sponsors still needed, mystery passes from Nickelodeon World, donations from Applebees and Broadway Pizza, Hy-Vee donating water bottles.

**School Wide Title 1 Program - Jinna Collins-Jwacu and Mrs. Oliver:**

Federally-funded program, Schools where at least 40% of students qualify for free and reduced price meals can become Title 1 School wide schools. Title 1 resources can be used to benefit all students in the school. ESL teachers/ELL teachers. Support staff to help students. Family engagement events – meet and greet, curriculum night, reading/math night, STEM night, Family Night at the Science Museum

**Secretary Report:**

Review of the minutes from the September meeting; they were approved by Cheryl Snyder & Kim Carpenter.

**Principal Report:**

Amy Oliver – nothing new to report. Introduced two new teachers; Ms. Reshetar is teaching a 5<sup>th</sup> section of 2<sup>nd</sup> grade was added right before school started. Amanda Schultz – new art teacher.

**Treasurer Report:**

Lisa Formo reviewed the budget with us. Not a whole lot going on but there will be more happening this month.

**Volunteer Services Coordinator Report:**

Donna Riberich – *Skill Builder Training* – 3 volunteers returning, 5 more interested in training, *Conference Meals, Gearzette* – first meeting this coming Thursday – Larissa Draves and Mary O’Hara, Brenda needs extra help with K codes during lunch, *Art* – being hung up in hallways, *Voting day* - Nov. 8<sup>th</sup> there will be voting in the school building. *STEMpede* – volunteers to count money, count t-shirts, High School students are coming to help, *Subway Day* – Oct. 13th

**Old Business:**

**Fall Fundraiser** – Monroe STEMpede Family Fun Run on October 15 – was discussed and more information will be going home soon. It’s a great opportunity for corporate matching, be sure to check with your employer. **Art Adventure** – more volunteers are still needed for 16 classes. Angela Vetsch is a co-chair for Art Adventure. It takes place in January. 2 ½ hours of (free) training is provided at the MN Institute of Arts. **Conference Meals** – October 10, 13, and 18 – Cheryl Snyder and Lisa Formo are co-chairing. **Campbell’s Labels for Education** – can still be redeemed! Game Night-recap – 15 families (40-50 people) played games and book bingo.

**New Business:**

Classroom snacks ordered – need a counter to count out snacks for Harvest snacks

**Upcoming Events:**

**Box Top Challenge** – October 10 – 14, Beth Lovre is in charge of this.

**Subway ALL Day/Night** - October 13

**Schwan’s Cares Fundraiser** – November 6- December 21, 20% on all purchases, 40% on purchasing gift cards

**Movie Night** – November 11 at 6pm in gym – Regal Cinema is donating popcorn!

**Meeting Adjourned at 7:28 p.m.**

**Next Meeting: November 7, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. in the Media Center at Monroe Elementary**

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Thank you for attending the PTO meeting!