

Indian Ridge Middle School
PTO General Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, March 15th, 2022

Meeting called to order via Zoom by PTO President Holly Kaplan at 6:03 pm

Board members in attendance:

Holly Kaplan, President

Nicole Andrews, VP Fundraising

Nicole Raizen, VP Membership

Marie Nanni, Treasurer

Jennifer Randall, Recording Secretary

Clara Sanchez, Volunteer Coordinator

School administration in attendance: Mr. Murray, Ms. Gonzalez, Ms. Tower

Minutes from the February 15, 2022, meeting were approved.

Membership Report: 1 new PTO membership this month.

Treasurer's Report:

The treasurer's report for February 16th – March 15th 2022 was reviewed and included an ending ledger balance of \$76,246.66. This period we brought in a total income of \$1,447.73 (Banners, T-shirt sales) and had \$7,883.34 in expenses (T-shirt expenses, Student Council DJ for Shamrock Shuffle, Insurance expense, etc). Total budget for the year was also reviewed.

Principal's Report included the following:

- Mr. Murray was very happy with Pep Rally last week, and excited for the Students vs Teachers game this week
- Friday shirts are allowed for Shamrock Shuffle this Thursday, 3/17
- Testing calendar is on the IRMS website
- FSA testing will not go forward for next school year. Looks like new format will be a pre-test at the beginning of the school year, and a post test towards the end of the school year. Will share more info as it becomes available.
- End of year awards are planned for this year. Each grade will be a separate night. Dates TBA.
- The 8th grade dance and field trip are confirmed and going forward.
- Teacher appreciation week is May 2nd – 6th. PTO providing breakfast on Tuesday, the 3rd and a luncheon on Friday, May 6th.

Old Business:

- 2nd deposit for 8th grade dance has been paid. Committee for the dance is currently working on all of the details now
- Three PTO grants have been approved: Mr. Sawyer (Band), Ms. Kannel (Literary Fair) as well as for the new Drama class for 2022-2023 school year
- Traffic signs were taken care of by the security team, so PTO no longer needs to take care of this
- Teacher Shirts for Kindness week were distributed and everyone liked them
- Students received a pouch (to hold change, phone, ID badge, etc) for Kindness week as well
- Incoming 6th grade night was a success, per parent feedback
- Book Fair scheduled for March has been cancelled, will go forward with Book Fair for fall
- Pep Rally was a success, kids really seemed to enjoy it. It was nice to showcase the student athletes

New Business:

- Voted on wall padding for Gymnasium. Gym will be padded on the two ends of the gym, as well as the side walls. Quote received was for \$16,985.50, including installation. Motion was passed unanimously.
- Shamrock Shuffle is this Thursday, from 9:40am-11:45am (Thursday is an Early Release Day). DJ will be provided by the PTO. All students are welcome to participate. Each grade walks for 30 minutes.
- Faculty vs. Student game is after school on 3/17, from 2:15 – 3:30pm. Need volunteers to collect student backpacks before entering the game.
- Student council collecting \$1 bills for the “Race to the Gold” competition. The more money raised, certain staff will get a pie in the face.
- Elementary schools are coming with their students in Mid-April. This is being run by the peer counselors.
- April 19th – 8th grade students can visit Western High School in the evening for an Open House
- Teacher appreciation week is May 2nd – 6th. PTO providing breakfast on Tuesday and lunch on Friday. Need volunteers to help serve and decorate. Theme is “Red Carpet Ready.”
- PTO will sell yard signs for 8th grade graduates again this year

Meeting was adjourned at 6:42 pm.

The next PTO meeting will be on April 12th, 2022 @ 6:00pm via Zoom

*These minutes were prepared by IRMS PTO Recording Secretary Jennifer Randall