

Indian Ridge Middle School
PTO General Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, January 19, 2021

Meeting called to order via Zoom by PTO President H Kaplan at 6:07pm

Minutes from the November 17, 2020, meeting were approved.

The Membership Report stated that 40 more teachers/staff were recruited.

The Treasurer's Report was November 18, 2020, - January 19, 2021, & included an ending ledger balance of \$52,845.11 in the bank.

Principal's Report discussions were the following:

- The new gym floor installation is almost complete & will include the IRMS logo, as per Mr Murray. Estimates to paint the walks are currently being done.
- Flag football tryouts were held & there was a good turnout.
- The number of 7th & 8th Grade students physically attending school nearly doubled from 75 to 140 students & 6th Grade has 188 students physically attending.
- 200 earbuds were distributed & another 200 have been ordered, with a possible charge of \$1.00 for each pair.
- The District is conducting i-Ready diagnostic testing & may have a "Hold Harmless" for FSA testing so as not to effect school ratings

Old Business:

- The PTO Audit date has yet to be set.
- The gym floor was discussed in the Principal's Report.
- A discussion was held on the Spring Book Fair, with a possible online option, & a suggestion was made to include books that would be of interest to parents & grandparents.
- The Virtual Boutique raised \$813.00 & included 26 vendors.
- Dream Catchers was successful & many families were able to enjoy the holidays thanks to the many donations that were received. (*Thank you, Ms Tower!*)
- The Holiday Teacher/Staff Recognition included t-shirts & donuts & those were well-received.

New Business:

- A discussion was held on the Straight "A" Cabaret &, that due to COVID, gift cards or coupons may be distributed & the certificates may be emailed to the deserving students.
- Ms Dieder is working on having spring pictures done – Possibly having "Easy Pics" rolling out in February.
- There will be a Box Tops drive in February.
- A discussion was held on fundraising, possibly having a restaurant involved.

- Also discussed was the We Love Our Teachers Coffee with a raffle for parents for the teachers. Possibly Starbucks cards could be raffled for the teachers. There was also talk of having Teacher Appreciation donations online.
- More information will be forthcoming on 8th Grade lawn signs as a fundraiser.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:03pm

The next PTO meeting will be on Tuesday, February 16, 2021, at 6pm.

*These minutes were prepared by IRMS PTO Recording Secretary J Lakosky