Calf Pen Meadow PTA Meeting Minutes 11/10/20 Prepared by Andrea Haven

Introduction:

Meeting called to order at 6:33pm; Meeting was held virtually via Google Meet.

Approval of meeting minutes for October meeting; Motion to approve by George O'Connell; second by Melissa Lawless

President Report: Presented by Stephanie Kannan

Stephanie to update us next month regarding meeting scheduled next week with Dr. Cutaia and the other PTA boards.

The virtual Pumpkin Decorating Contest which just wrapped up, was very well attended. There were well over 40 submissions. Each winner received a 5\$ Gift Card for Target provided by the PTA.

Teachers each received a special (individually wrapped) treat from a local bakery. Very much appreciated.

<u>VP Report:</u> Cyndy T.

Reported no new updates

Treasurer Report: By Erica E.

No new updates yet for this month. Everything is running smoothly.

Family photo shoots done by Melissa Lawless increased funds by \$360.

PTA dues will be paid tomorrow, November 11th. (Check will be mailed out)

Reimbursements starting to come in from the teachers as well.

Secretary Report: By Andrea Haven

Memberships are coming in. Since October meeting, we have had 15 new members/families join. We now have 56 members/families total.

"No Stuff Fundraiser" has collected \$370 since last meeting, and \$980 to date

Reminded everyone that these are ongoing throughout the year.

Principal Report: By Jamie Whitaker and Erin Marschner

Excited to report the recess bags supplied by the PTA were a huge success.

Mrs. Cohen, kindergarten teacher, shared photos of her students with their new items. The kids/staff are very happy and excited.

Veteran's Day submissions (18 so far) will be presented in a slide show that will be shared with the students in the classroom meeting on Wednesday. The presentation will also be included in Friday's Newsletter.

Very pleased with the virtual creativity within the Calf Pen community. The new "Staff spotlight", for example is a great way to help build relationships with the kids/families.

Word Kindness Day is Friday, November 13th. We will encourage the students to be kind to others, to themselves, and also to participate in acts of kindness.

Addressed the latest letter sent out by Dr. Cutaia. Elementary school students will move to Distance Learning (Tier 3) instruction for the week of November 30th through December 4th. Teachers and students will return to in person instruction on December 7th. The students and teachers will again go to Distance learning after the new year and return to in person on January 11th.

Committee Reports:

Charleston Wrap Fundraiser- Amanda Stigers; Very happy with outcome. Sold about 3,552 items; earned \$1,315 for the school. The fundraiser was opened up for later shopping

Virtual Book Fair- Paula Uscilla ; unable to attend the meeting, sent an update. Only 9 orders so far, but open until Friday, November 13th.

Family Photo Shoot- Melissa Lawless; Happy to report that another day was added to accommodate more families for photos. 13 Families total. Great feedback, and about \$360 donated.

5TH Grade- Cyndy Tummins

Any 5th grade parent willing to help, please contact Cyndy

Holiday Fair-Erica E.; Booked and ready to go, with Penguin Patch. Inventory was chosen with families in mind. Items will be shipped to the families homes. More info to be added to upcoming newsletter.

Free Raising- Kathy Romano? Will reach out to her for help with Box Tops and shopping rewards. More info to come.

Spirit Wear-Scott Tummins turning over inventory; Chris Haven will take over and keep track for future orders. Jamie has new vendor in mind; hoping to get an online order form going within the next few weeks.

Class T-shirts to be ordered for every student. PTA has money set aside for students unable to pay for class t-shirt.

Room Parents-Traci Gallagher?

Not much info

<u>New Business</u>: Andrea Haven; Leaning towards more of a community building event while supporting small local business. Working with Lucie, the owner of the Painted Plank to set up a page on her website just for the Calf Pen Community. This should be ready to go the week before Thanksgiving. The boards could be a great gift for the holidays, as well as a great way to pass the time and keep busy.

Next PTA Meeting planned for December 8th.

Meeting adjourned at 7:10pm.