



# Iowa Valley PTO



## Meeting Minutes

“Making a Difference, One Child at a time”

(sample motto, not formalized by committee)

January 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2018 @6:07pm

General PTO Meeting

Iowa Valley Elementary Conference Room

**Call to Order & Attendance:** Jennifer O, Julie D, Ami T, Heather F, Shauntel W, Bobbi M, Abby R, Courtney S, Stacie C, Brant A, Curtis M, Mrs. C. Miller

**Absent:** Chantelle H, Brittney B, Abby K.

**Approval of the Meeting Agenda & Previous Meeting Minutes:** Motioned by Heather F, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Shauntel W, all in favor.

**Treasurers Report:** Please see attached report.

**Yearbook:** We need to start compiling pictures for the upcoming yearbook. An email will be sent to teachers next week about sending pictures to be placed in a file for the 2017/2018 yearbook. There will be a booth for yearbook sales at the Spring Conferences along with Butter Braid Pick up. Jennifer Olson will man the Yearbook sales, and Courtney S will be in charge of the butter braids.

**PTO Committee Updates:**

**Welcome Committee:** No events scheduled/no updates this month.

**IV Staff Appreciation:** Recap, Operation “Christmas Cheer” was held on Wednesday December 13<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at 1:15pm. A brief presentation was held, the Keurig was presented along with the cups, and the name was drawn for the winner of overnight at Riverside Casino. Festive Refreshments were provided to our staff at both the Iowa Valley Elementary as well as high school for their training.

**Teacher Breakfast:** Not until May, no updates available.

**6<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation:** Not until May, No updates available. I would recommend starting to line up 5<sup>th</sup> grade parent volunteers for this event. The parents used to be involved and I think this is a tradition we should look at bringing back. I will be sending a letter out to the 5<sup>th</sup> grade parents asking for Volunteers for the 6<sup>th</sup> grade graduation ceremony to serve punch and cake. Who is in charge of the t-shirts, pictures, videos. Etc? The PTO set the date for the 6<sup>th</sup> grade graduation to be Monday May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at

6:00pm. Courtney and Jenni will assist with serving punch/Cupcakes/Cookies, Jenni will bake the Monogrammed Cupcakes. Stacie will be in charge of the video/pictures/t-shirts.

**Dudes & Donuts/Maids & Muffins:** Currently the committee will look into the later part of March through mid-April to confirm a date. Abby Ray, Bobby Miller, and Abby Kasper are in charge of this committee.

***Fundraising Committee: (See below)***

**Courtney:** Courtney has been in contact with the Butter Braid company for a spring fundraiser, dates the PTO is looking to sell the Butter Braids will begin around Feb 19<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

**Ami:** Ami was in charge of the concession stand dates, Ami will provide us an update. We have PTO members confirmed for Jan 25<sup>th</sup>, Feb 8<sup>th</sup>, and Feb 13<sup>th</sup>.

**Abby R:** Ideas for a 5K race were suggested by Abby R for this spring. Are we still looking at this as a possible fundraiser? Jenni will look up different themes for a 5K and tentative dates along with obtaining information on the logistics.

***Junior High Dance:***

The Junior High Semi Formal was held on Friday December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at the High School. It was well attended and there were many positive remarks about the dance.

**4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Grade Skate Party:** Not until March/April. No Updates yet. Who would like to be the point of contact in setting this event up? Ami T will be in charge of setting up the 4<sup>th</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> grade skate party. She has gotten ahold of Chantelle H and will obtain the documentation that she needs to plan the event.

**IV Foundation Invitation:** Members of the PTO have been invited to meet with the Iowa Valley Foundation on March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 6:00pm. They would like to discuss ways we could team up to do different things. One thing mentioned was Tie-Dye T-Shirts, and using different colors. I expressed the concern of certain students being left out and a solution was to purchase enough to do around 20+ shirts per year for students unable to purchase Tiger Gear. I did say I would discuss ideas with the PTO at the meeting.

At this time just over 40% of IV Students qualify for free or reduced lunch program.

**Scholarship information:** The PTO normally does a scholarship each year, did we want to provide a scholarship again this year and if so how much? I checked with Tiffany T and she was able to provide me with the details of previous scholarships. The PTO historically provides scholarships for 100.00, and up to three scholarships per year

Misc Items of interest to be discussed: A concerned parent would like the PTO to discuss the current lice situation at the Iowa Valley Elementary School. This is a genuine concern for all parents whose children are exposed repeatedly. What can we do, as the PTO, to assist with this situation and bring about a possible resolution? A possible resource that we will look into is providing supplies to the school for families in need.

Next meeting: 02/19/2018 @6:00pm

Respectfully Submitted by Jennifer Olson, President PTO