



Iowa Valley PTO



Meeting Agenda

February 18th, 2019 called to order by Courtney S. @ 6:32pm

General PTO Meeting

Iowa Valley Elementary Conference Room

Call to Order & Attendance:

Absent:

Approval of the Meeting Agenda & Previous Meeting Minutes: Minutes available online at <http://www.iowa-valley.k12.ia.us/PTO.html>.

Treasurers Report: Current Balance is \$7,559.76.

Committee Updates:

Welcome Committee: NA-Welcome committee is active the 1st 2 months each school year.

IV Staff Appreciation: Birthday cards have been delivered all teachers with birthdays through the current date. Due to the rising cost of birthday cards, Jenni ordered Birthday Postcards, 100 for \$9.99. Just a reminder that the following folks are signed up for the teacher appreciation for these months.

February: Courtney Stubblefield

March: Julie D.

April: Annie R.

May: Bobbi M

Junior High Dance: The High School got back to us about the Junior High Semi Formal/Dance. The Date will be Feb 22nd from 7:00pm-10:00pm. The posters were ordered and sent to the high school to post. The dance theme is "Out of this world" which features neon glow items/colors with a dance floor and lights. Jenni has had multiple parents and students contact her about the clothing requirement and not everyone has/can afford semi-formal attire for the evening. Jenni emailed Shannon and let her know that if the students want to wear nice pants and a neon colored clothing item then that would be suitable for admission into the dance. We have 3 confirmed Chaperones. We need 2 at the front desk signing students in and out, one in the halls making sure the kids are running loose in the side hallways, and two in the dance area. Heather Fleming is the DJ, we will need the sound system set up? Never have done it in the past so I don't even know who to contact. Heather has her own computer. We are in need of black lights, black light strings (like Halloween Strands), and any dance lighting that people can lend. We will need someone to organize the snacks for the evening.

1. Jenni O. (Chair/Leader)
2. Heather F (DJ)
3. Brittney M.
4. Courtney S.
5. Belinda Riley

Spring Carnival: A late winter/early spring carnival is being recommended this year, looking at Friday March 1st, 2019 from 6:00pm-8:00pm. This event takes multiple participants to handle all the details. We need 5 volunteers to lead different positions for this committee, as well as all hands on deck to assist in planning. We will need someone to chair the event as well as coordinate Volunteers. This is going to be a Dr. Seuss Themed carnival. Word has been put out to High School Students about the Volunteering opportunities. Posters have been ordered and delivered to the school.

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| 1. Abby K, Tereni K, Annie R. | (Food/Servers/Grocery List) |
| 2. Brittney M. | (Games/Classrooms/Prizes) |
| 3. Bobbi & Mrs. Miller | (Silent Auction/Raffle Items) |
| 4. Jenni O. | (Advertising/Cupcakes) |
| 5. Amanda Jennings | |
| 6. Nicole Mangold | |
| 7. Mallory Meyer | (Cupcakes) |
| 8. Theresa Herman | (Cupcakes) |
| 9. Lakhoy Brecht | (Cupcakes) |

Possible Games:

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| <i>Cupcake Walk</i> | <i>Ping Ping Toss</i> | <i>"Pick a Prize"</i> |
| <i>Go Fish</i> | <i>Duck Hunt</i> | |
| <i>Lollipop Tree/Candy Claw</i> | <i>Sponge Toss</i> | |
| <i>Soda Pop Toss</i> | <i>Relay Games</i> | |
| <i>Plinko</i> | <i>Candy Wheel</i> | |
| <i>Bowling</i> | <i>Scooter race</i> | |

Spring Fundraisers: Abby K is looking different ideas up for the spring fundraiser. Discussion was held and samples were brought by Abby K, for the upcoming spring fundraiser. The PTO decided to go with the Puffed Pastry/Pizza fundraiser for this spring, beginning March 13th, 2019, ending March 27th, 2019, and delivery will be April 17th, 2019 for pick up at the elementary school.

1. Abby K. (Chair/Leader)
2. Tiffany Schlesselman

4th-6th Grade Skate Party: Ami has an update. We're looking at April 10th, 2019 which is an early dismissal day. Cindy Miller is finding out if the school district is looking to remove PD Days for the snow days this year. More information to come.

1. Ami T. (Chair/Leader)
2. Tiffany Schlesselman
3. Jenni Olson

6th Grade Graduation: ? Still pending a date. More details to come.

4. **Tricia Hocamp-Chair**
5. Courtney S. (Presentation)
6. Annie R (Pamphlets/Seating)
7. Tiffany Schlesselman, Julie D. (Punch/Cookies/Cupcakes/Servers)
8. Stacie C. (Video/Pictures)
9. Ami T. (Certificates)
10. Additional Volunteers: Chantelle H, & Kristen B.

Yearbook Committee POC: Courtney S will be the POC for the 2018/2019 yearbook. Anyone interested in assisting Courtney, please contact her to be placed on the committee. Courtney has sent out an email requesting that teachers send pictures during the year to either the PTO email or to her personal email. Year book cost for this upcoming year will be 12.00 per book.

Upcoming Meeting Dates: Meeting dates are tentative and subject to change until confirmed by the school calendar. Meetings are traditionally held on the 3rd Monday of each month unless there is a holiday or no-school.

March 11th, 2019-Changed due to spring break.

April 15th, 2019 (Secretary will not be present at this meeting, we will need someone else to keep minutes). Nominations for office due at this meeting, PTO Members must accept the nomination prior to be voted in. (Meaning we can't vote someone into a position without them being aware of it).

May 20th, 2019- Elections

Misc.: The teacher's appreciation week is coming up at the beginning of May, 2019. This includes breakfast at both schools. Keep it on the backburner ladies.

Family Night at CR Kernels: This was received from the Kernels "My name is Aron Brecht, and I am the new Community Relations & Entertainment Manager for the Cedar Rapids Kernels. We received a donation request letter from you guys a while back for your carnival event on April 6th. We'd be happy to donate, but I first wanted to talk with you about the possibility of you guys hosting a school night at the Kernels. I'm unsure if Iowa Valley has ever done one of these, but these are done at no cost to the school and are a great way to get discounted tickets for your school and community."

"School nights are a great way for families, students, and teachers to get-together and have a nice night out, outside of the school atmosphere. It promotes school unity, bonding, and friendships, and plus, it's a lot of fun to come to the ballpark."

Some specifics on what school night entails:

- Reduced tickets for your group: Either \$8.00 club tickets (box seats) or \$7.00 plaza tix (bleacher seats).
 - (They are regularly \$11.00 and \$9.00 respectively, so you save \$2.00 to \$3.00 off the normal cost.)
- Opportunity for students and staff to participate in pre-game activities on the field.
- Opportunity to sing the National Anthem (if available).
- Opportunity for one individual (teacher, principal, or student) to visit with the Kernels Broadcaster during the radio broadcast
- Usage of a Kernels Diamond Suite (completely free) on the night of the event. The suite can be used as a treat for staff, or as an auction item. The suite is available for the first two schools that book on each date. – **This would be great for your carnival!**
- A chance to use the night as a fundraiser:
 - Sell the tickets at a higher rate and keep the difference (Exp: Sell the club tickets for \$10.00, make \$2.00 per ticket)
 - Auction off the chance to throw out a first pitch or the Complimentary night in the suite and keep all of the proceeds

Keep in mind, we make the planning and executing of this event very easy and supply you with flyers and marketing materials for you to get the word out!

If this something we are interested in? If so we need to vote on a date tonight because they fill up fast.

Adjournment & Next meeting: Meeting motioned for adjournment at 8:35pm by Ami T, 2nd by Bobbi M. The next meeting scheduled for Monday March 11th, 2019 at 6:30pm in the library at the Elementary School.

Respectfully Submitted by Jennifer Olson, Secretary PTO