May 22, 2018 Chelsea Heights PTO Meeting Minutes

1. Principal's Report

Title 1: The Family-School Compact for Achievement was shared for the 2018-2019 school year. The compact included dates for conferences, PTO meetings, awards assemblies, SPPS goals, Chelsea Heights SCIP goals and ideas for communicating about student learning.

We had Kindergarten Round Up earlier in the month, MCAs have been completed, and we had a great Spring Carnival.

Field Day is coming up on May 31st, with June 1st being the rain day. Volunteers are needed. Look for emails from PTO.

The staff vs student kickball game is scheduled for the afternoon of June 5th. Students are looking forward to treats and activities between innings. All grade levels will be involved in the fun!

Field trips: Background checks for chaperones cost \$12 each. We've completed 115 so far this year. Discussion was held around ideas for making this more cost-effective. Could adults sign up for multiple trips at once if dates were shared early in the year? Is it possible to reduce the number of chaperones needed for certain types of field trips?

2. Spring Carnival Update

Our spring carnival brought in \$5300. PTO purchased some investment items (ticket tent, larger signs, etc.) and concession sales (\$1200) went to the 5th grade Destination Imagination team to help cover the cost of their Globals trip to Tennessee. We had a net profit of \$4100. Look for a survey in your email inbox about our spring carnival!

3. Executive Board

Our PTO President, Brooke Ust, is moving to South Dakota and the executive board will have an opening. We also have some chair positions open.

Chair positions include: PTO website, backpack express, volunteer coordinator, Box Top coordinator, and fall picture day coordinator. We will also potentially look for help with Family Fitness Night and Literacy Night (including ideas for a name change). Former chairs suggested having a "how to" be shared with new chairs. Sharing files through Dropbox was suggested.

4. 2018-2019 Meetings

Parents and teachers in attendance at the meeting liked the idea of including guests and informative sessions as part of our PTO meetings. Ideas included: Family Tree Parent Night, Chelsea 101 in September for new families, Science Fair Introduction with Mr. Altman (December), curriculum, summer offerings

Parents were also interested in learning more about how the PTO budget specifically impacts the school.