**Creekside Elementary PTO Meeting – September 13, 2018**

**Meeting called to order at 6:01**

**In Attendance:** Myanna Komaromi, Sarah Scott, Heide Scott, James Puzzuoli, Krystal Puzzuoli, Jessica Jacobs, Eric Anderson, Jason Pruitt, Cindy Pruitt, Melissa Hoffman, Ingrid Wakeman, Jacob Horn, Allison Bonk, David McDonald, Jessica Drager, Jennifer Liloia, Lawrence Pumford, Lindsay Burgess, Marcie Spinneweber, Amanda Hill, Stephanie Schlosser

**Previous Meeting Minutes:** Marcie Spinneweber moved to approve minutes from June, seconded by Melissa Hoffman, vote passed.

**Board Reports:**

**Treasurer, Amanda Hill~ \***We will continue to update the budget as we move along through the year

\*Profit and loss summary is starting in the negative but that will change after our first fundraiser (fun run)

**Principal, Mr. Pumford~**

\*Thank you to the families! We are working together to grow young minds. We are better together, with the families, teachers, etc.

\*There are two purposes of the PTO:

1. To support the school financially (i.e. field trips, funding in classrooms, chrome book carts, rock climbing wall in the gym, playground equipment).

2. To support the culture of the school (i.e. family fun night, Santa shop, fun run- keeping things fun for the kids at the school)

\*My School Data- This year the third and fourth graders were 72% proficient in the MSTEP, the best we have ever had. The average in the state was at 57% proficiency. The school was 96.47% proficiency. This is because of the great teachers and the fantastic families supporting their children’s education at Creekside.

\*We had a great start to this school year with the Back to School BBQ

**New Business:**

1. **2018-2019 Calendar of Events**

\*Donuts with Dads was originally scheduled on opening day for hunting season. Motion made to move this event to November 8th and 9th, seconded by Melissa Hoffman, vote passed.

\*The December PTO meeting is currently scheduled on the same day as the Kindergarten Christmas program. Motion made to move the December PTO meeting to December 13th, seconded by Myanna Komaromi, vote passed.

1. **Creekside School T-shirts Update**

T-shirts were ordered on Monday, September 10. They should take approximately 2 weeks to be completed. We should receive the t-shirts the week of Hartland Spirit Week. Everyone will be given their shirt on Friday, September 28 in the morning and then we will take a whole school picture out on the soccer field.

1. **Spirit Week**

\*We are piggy-backing on Hartland High Schools theme of “Home” and following their days.

1. **Fundraising Opportunities**

\*Marcos works with other schools in the area. If we decide on this fundraising opportunity we will not take it on until after fun run. Marcos Family Pizza Night fundraiser gives the school 20% of the profit, name the teacher when you order and the class with the most receives a pizza party. One of the pizza nights the school will receive blank pizza boxes for the kids to decorate. When their family orders, their pizza will come in the pizza box their child decorated. The family pizza night must be on a Tuesday or Wednesday but cannot be the Wednesday before Thanksgiving or Halloween night. Maybe have this fundraiser near hunting season? And a second time perhaps in March before family fun night or late May?

\*Tony Sacco’s Pizza Fundraiser- the feedback has been that it takes a lot of effort. If we do this again we would like 100% of the profit to go directly to the teachers. It seems that we are leaning more towards the Marco’s fundraiser than the Tony Sacco’s fundraiser.

\*Other fundraiser opportunities include: Kroger Rewards (be sure to put in Creekside Elementary, must be updated every year), Amazon Smile, Shoparoo and Box Tops (the school receives 10 cents for each box top). Jennifer Liloia asked if all of these things can be put together for the room coordinators to email out to the families.

\*Dave McDonald presented Fundraising Cards with Mobile Tier, a community marketer. 75% of proceeds comes back to the school.

1. **Farm to School Presentation**

\*Cindy Pruitt presented Farm to School. It was piloted last year with our 4th graders and the kids loved it. The goal of this program is to increase awareness and knowledge about food and where it comes from (locally, etc.). The idea of a school garden was discussed as well as a plan for 3-4 lessons per year per grade (similar to that of Art Reach). This program has the potential to influence healthy habits.

1. **Room Coordinator Update**

\* The purpose of the room coordinator is to increase communication between the PTO, Creekside teachers and Creekside parents as well as increasing volunteerism, etc.

1. **Fun Run**

\*This is Creekside’s largest fundraiser of the year.

\* According to a poll on the Creekside Families PTO Facebook page we will include a link for donations to be made through PayPal. This will go out in Mr. Pumford’s weekly email. We will still send the donation envelopes out as a cash and/or check option.

\* The goal is $12,000 and if this goal is achieved, Mr. Pumford will sleep on the roof of the school.

\*There has been discussion that the monies raised this year may be used for ninja warrior type playground equipment.

**Next meeting will be October 11th in the Media Center**

**Adjournment:**

Meeting adjourned at 7:16 p.m.