

**Tibbets PTA
General Meeting Minutes
March 14, 2019**

Present: Esther Weitzel (President), Brenda Johansen (Vice President), Katie James (Secretary), Cheryl Kenth (Treasurer), Pam Person (Fundraising Chair), Denise Babcock, Sarah Cox, Sarah Hagie, Chris Jost, Sarah Jost, Anne Karedes, Jodi Tust, Lisa Wald, and Greg Wells.

Esther called the meeting to order at 6:02pm. The minutes from the January 10, 2019 meeting (no February meeting – inclement weather) were presented by Katie for approval. Sarah J. made a motion to approve the minutes, Pam seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Cheryl presented the January and February receipts/disbursements for approval. Pam made a motion to approve the financial activity, Sarah J. seconded. Motion passed unanimously. Cheryl also reported the PTA is running about \$2,000 down for the year – Members present agreed to coordinate efforts to make up the difference (see below).

Pam had Sarah C. draw for the March calendar raffle: \$100 to Brenda Hucke (Veronica Siegler family); \$25 to Brenda Johansen (Matt Johansen family), Billiejo Papcke (Ethan Papcke family), Vern Smith (Addison Babcock family), and Kristal Wulf (Blake & Savannah Wulf family). Pam and Denise are working with Cheryl on next year's calendar raffle design with the hope of sales beginning in May.

Esther reported for Jennifer Cernech that 3,106 Box Tops (for a \$310.60 donation) were collected in February. We ended the collection year 6,070 Box Tops (-\$607 donation) short of last year. She noted fewer items featuring Box Tops are appearing in stores and we will need to do additional fundraising to make up the difference in our budget.

Sarah C., Sarah H., and Lisa agreed to coordinate this year's Silent Auction at Tibbetspalooza. Pam will mentor the group and encouraged anyone with business contacts or ideas for gifts to reach out – their goal is to raise \$1,000 for the PTA!

Chris White, general manager of the Lauderdale Lakes Country Club, has offered to partner with Tibbets PTA on a fundraiser this summer. On May 28 and June 11, 2019, the golf course will donate a percentage of greens fees taken after 2pm back to the PTA.

Anne will contact Panera Bread about hosting a food night for the school in April or May. Other locations that have offered to host in the past such as the Not Too Far Away Bar & Grill and Sperino's were considered as alternate options.

Mr. Wells shared his upcoming retirement at the end of this school year with the group and his appreciation for all the well wishes. He has been the principal of Tibbets for 18 years. Superintendent Jason Tadlock is currently looking for a replacement to fill some big shoes! He also reminded people about the Art Auction and EAHS boys basketball State Championship game on Friday.

Pam said the PTA has sold a few Tibbets car decals, but still have quite a few left. No one was interested in organizing an "I Spy" school spirit activity at this time. The PTA will gift decals to incoming 5K families at Orientation Night.

Chris and Sarah J. said 36 people attended the roller-skating night in McHenry, IL on March 10. The Josts treated everyone to pizza and the Just For Fun rink donated \$111 of admission back to the PTA. Chris said the McHenry rink was selected over the Burlington rink to avoid their 50-skater minimum charge for a private session, but would consider it for next year as a closer option. Esther will repost pictures from the Jost's FB page.

Esther is heading up the Spring Spirit Wear with a Utah company called CDI Apparel. The group voted on a new screen design and Esther will finalize the assortment and order form.

Katie and Brenda reported that Book Swap collection will run April 1-12, with distribution on April 15-16 afternoons. They are concerned about the quantity of chapter books that will be available for grades 3-5 because the Elkhorn library Friends group is low on books to swap in their used Book Store with the mass quantity of picture books we normally receive as donations. Anne will ask the Middle School PTA for help with donations and Jodi offered to help on Swap days. Katie has also begun plans for the 5K orientation night on May 23 – anyone interested in volunteering can contact her at tibbetsptacrew@gmail.com.

Esther and Anne presented this year's Tibbetspalooza "Bounce Into Summer!" plans, with multiple bounce houses and more outdoor activities (with indoor options for rain). Rather than provide free meals, food trucks from Kona Ice, Lefty's, and LD's BBQ will be on hand to sell drinks/dinner. Katie volunteered to pick up the Gaga ball pit that is being loaned to the PTA by Camp Lutherdale. Esther also asked people to think of other ideas to make the evening fun.

PTA Board members encouraged the group to consider officer positions that are up for nomination at next month's meeting. The president (2-year term), vice president (1-year term), and secretary (2-year term) positions will be available. Anyone interested or wanting more information about a position should contact Katie at tibbetsptacrew@gmail.com.

Chris made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:00pm, Sarah J. seconded. Motion passed.

Prepared and Submitted by:
Katie James
Secretary