

Tibbets PTA Meeting
September 9, 2021
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Present: Sarah Cox, Sarah Jost, Sarah Hagie, Niqui Linneman, Jen Kienbaum, Allison Lauderdale, Stephanie Heise, Sheila Whalen, Angela Pulvermacher, Jennifer Cernech, Anna Olson, Nicole Whitman, Bryan Frost, Lisa Wald

Lisa called the meeting to order at 6:01pm. She thanked everyone for joining and introduced herself. She reminded the group that a RSVP must be made so the PTA can monitor the size of the meeting, in order to appropriately plan for certain social distancing. Lisa went on to say that The Tibbets PTA really cares about the school and really is passionate about giving the staff and especially the students the best elementary experience. Lisa said that the PTA is always looking for guest speakers at our monthly meetings. If you are interested in talking to the group, please email the PTA:

TibbetsPTACrew@gmail.com.

Niqui Linnenman spoke about the Food in a Backpack program. This is a EASD wide program that supplies families with 2 weekend meals and 2 snacks. The food is sorted on Thursdays at noon in the Elkhorn Recreation center. The meals are packed in grocery bags and placed right in the child's backpack. Flyers will be sent home with more information. The first packing session will be at the end of October.

Nicole W discussed the COH (cash on hand). The PTA had a few deposits for the calendar raffle in July, not much else happening. She went on to say that the budget will be broken down at the October meeting and voted on for approval. If there are any questions, please email the PTA.

The Tibbets Back to School Boogie will be on September 17. This family fun night will be held outside this year, weather permitting. Sarah H said that the PTA will be holding a 50/50 raffle and the Boogie will be the LAST opportunity to turn in or purchase calendar raffle tickets. The monthly calendar raffle tickets will be drawn at the Boogie as well as the raffle incentive prize winners. Sarah H and Jodi are in the process of planning the annual Book Fair, this is set to happen October 20 to October 27. They will be using Follett again. Last year was an E-Book Fair and they would like to see how Follett's in-person fair looks like. They are hoping the PTA will be able to host the Trunk or Treat like normal this year. The plan is to have it on October 22, Lisa asked that if anyone is interested in helping plan and/or volunteer to work the event, please keep a look out for emails and signups.

Sarah C went over the PTA memberships: \$15 Individual membership, \$10 for additional, \$10 for Staff, and \$30 for a business membership. If you have any questions about memberships please let her know by emailing. The Website is all updated and Facebook is up and running like normal. Please check Facebook regularly to get the most updated information on FFN events and other fun PTA information. The website has all the forms and information that may be needed as well. The PTA also does use Amazon Smile, please consider finding the Tibbets PTA on your Amazon Smile account to do your shopping. Sarah also said to send in your Franks Grocery receipts and pop tabs to the school, the PTA gets a little kickback from these.

Mr. Frost said the school year is off to a great start. The kindergarten orientation, new families orientation, and the meet the teacher nights all went off without a hitch and were wonderful evenings. Map testing will start on 9/20 and go until 10/8. This is more for the teachers to get a read on where their students are at academically in order to set the tone for the school year. He said that the school has a few dress up days coming up, with Friday the 10th being Red, White, and Blue day in support of Patriot Day on Saturday. 9/17 is orange shirt day and 9/24 is college wear day. To see other dates, please check his latest email and look for the newsletter to come out soon. Bryan said that Tibbets has welcomed a lot of new staff this year and introductions will be in the newsletter. He also noted that the Tibbets all school character pledge has changed to "Today I promise to be responsible, respectful, HEALTHY, and safe."

Lisa announced that the PTA is always looking for new volunteers to help with the many fun things the PTA offers. If anyone is interested please let them know.

Lisa said the end of the year celebration: Tibbetspalooza was awesome, the turnout was amazing and the PTA board has many notes on how to make it even better next year. Lisa gave a huge THANK YOU to the Jost family, they helped DJ for the back to school boogie for the last 6 years and ended their amazing volunteer DJ services at the Tibbetspalooza in June. Thank you, Sarah and Chris for all you did for the events!

Spiritwear orders are in the works, look for flyers in the next month, Kenzie W, Niqui L, and Sarah C will be planning this out. Lisa and Kelly C are still working on the calendar raffle and will take any and all calendar raffle tickets up until the Back to School Boogie on 9/17. Jen K is organizing Scrip again this year, please watch for a flyer to come home with more information. Angie P is happy to help Jen B and Katie J with the school directory. Anna O is interested in helping with the Book swap.

Last year the PTA donated \$3500 towards a Tibbets outdoor classroom, Lisa explained that a fundraising committee will need to be created to get the ball rolling on this. Sheila W suggested the PTA raise money by selling a brick or block with the donor's name on it to be placed in the outdoor space. Sheila will look into this further and Niqui L said she would like to help with this as well.

The outdoor stencils that were purchased last school year were delivered to the school over the summer. The PTA is hoping to get a crew together and get the stencils painted soon. Perhaps for an upcoming weekend, please let the PTA know if you are interested in helping, more hands = less work!

The next PTA meeting is October 14, 2021 at 6 pm.

Sarah J made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Sarah H 2nd.
Meeting adjourned at 7:32pm

Meeting minutes prepared and submitting by:
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PTA Secretary