9/16/22 Clay PTO Board Meeting Notes

\*12:30 Discussion pre-meeting

Grant money Proposed..we approved grant money ($385) for flexible seating for Special Ed room

Fundraising

$28,145, 80% of goal. Send one more school messenger about fundraiser. Performing arts fundraiser starts next week.

Approved budget. Set up CEF scholarship for Clay. CEF/Clay PTO scholarship $1000. We review applicants and involved in presenting. Transferred money from Caitlin’s Run scholarship. They have close to $5000.

New families to the area kickoff next week. Cheyenne PTO liaison Karen encouraged them to follow example set a few years ago. Created community for new parents.Clay Village Community. Use PTO misc. budget line. Add a line for new families to budget.

Kahoot membership question: Teacher was going to renew it. Cost more this year for Premium. Has PTO provided funds? Karen will look to see if it has been paid. Check files from last year. Last year expecting to renew two but only renewed one. How has it been paid in years past? Ryan Syder had already paid for it? Sort out if we are overlapping last year or another account. $75 Sarah Tillbury said she does not want to renew Moby Max.

Process staff has to go through to get websites approved. Laws are still on books but outdated. Companies are trying to adhere to the law and what schools are trying to do. May take a while for companies to adhere to what schools need. Don’t want to spend the money and it doesn’t get approved. Ex. Different levels of Kahoot. Some approved and some not.

Run software renewals by Jon Cocoran.

District paying for some of these things? As we go through program evaluations…maybe it will make sense for district to pay for more online resources–could be more relevant than textbooks.

\*\*\*Called to order: 1:00 PM

Admin Updates:

Meet the Teacher night. Nice to have PTO and cookies. Directional signage next year would be helpful.

Discussion on dress code/cell phone use parameters:

There are certain ways to dress code someone. Everyone has to be on the same page. Professional wear vs. social wear.

**Mrs. Gall:**

Idea for more creative positive behavior program for students called SOAR: Stay safe, Own your actions, Always be a leader, Respect yourself and others. Goes well with mission statement. Work on homework. Teachers there to support. Not punishment but prevention. Would require parent to pickup. Builds relationship outside of classroom. Compensation for teachers from PTO. Someone to speak to them about why they’re there. Providing time for them to reflect. Look through grades with them. 1 hour be intentional so behavior stops. Provides staff and teachers opportunity to work with students one on one. Every student identify two teachers they can go to at the end of year. Not fun but meaningful and worthwhile. Look at study hall compensation in past years. $4500 from Clay challenge that is not being used. Mr. Crosby reached out to Leanna Giles to see how they did it. Go forward with SOAR.

Clay Challenge Day speaker in mind: Former linebacker for Colts, helps Colts player make good choices off the field. Great speaker. Looking at dates. $1000 donated toward a cause. Maybe video and send a link. Coming back from spring break is rough for teachers. Have him come on a Friday a week after SB. Looking at David Thorton. Director of player engagement be April 14th Friday. Speak to Core Pluses by grade level. Band that has a tag line or slogan possibly to hand out as a reminder.

Trojan Trot:

Great to be back after 3 years. We had 251 runners.

Upcoming events:

October performing arts events

Fall Break

Washington D.C. Trip

Jen’s Birthday

Clubs:

Card Club Starts after Labor Day. On website. All updated. Sponsors, meeting times. Need a sponsor. Sports and Pokemon. Will email teachers to see if anyone wants to sponsor the club.

How did Tuesday Treats go? Great! Next coming up in October

Human Bingo today. Thanks to Stephanie and …to come in and help with prizes. Maybe fill those spots with parent volunteers.

Plan to open up Game Shack. Allison. Based on last year…popular with 6th grade but less in the other lunches. Specific games that are popular. The rest not so much. 3 days a week: Mon, Wed, Fri

End of last semester SRA volunteer. 2 volunteers per day. Friday letting SRA volunteer. Uno Connect 4. Put a call out for donations for specific games. Games you find value in There is a google form for volunteers Sarah will get it so it can be sent it out in school messenger. We could check with our feeder schools to see if they want the games that aren’t as popular. Games that could benefit MLL kids. Allison will send a list to Mrs. Gall

Student leaf Hunt Oct. 25

Big Dreams:

We have a chunk of money we would like to spend. Try to spend it sooner than later. Find something we can do. Mr. Crosby: They have a walk through with facilities manager next week. Within 2 year window of renovation. On list of walk through is outdoor space. On docket to discuss.

Sarah Gray: We would love to be part of that project but this money we find something we can support this year. Mr. Crosby has ideas. Do something big and flashy. Show parents that this is what your money did.

In 11 years of being here haven’t done a lot to downstairs area by gyms. Auditorium needs updates. Would like to modernize area by gym. Ideas how to renovate, upgrade that area. Tons of foot traffic for community. Mr. Crosby and Mr. Corcoran will discuss.

We would love to be part of convo and see where there is gift opportunity. Purchase something tangible. Renovations coming in academic areas not athletic.

Update on SRO Todd: It was Greg’s 14th year. As of today started interviews to get someone in here as soon as possible. Currently officers are rotating. Hopefully someone in soon. Change of placement in department.

\*\*\*Meeting adjourned: 2:30 PM