

October 9, 2018

The meeting was called to order by President Lindsay Moody.

The PTO would like to thank:

Jaime Lueders for organizing the Back to School Picnic

Erica Morrison for organizing the Yahoo Boohoo Coffee and the Progressive Dinner

Amy Whisler, Amanda Vader, and Steph Slonka for organizing the Fall Festival

Dr. Arnold

The staff is continuing its professional development with Social Emotional Learning (SEL).

Teachers have implemented restorative circles in the classrooms.

Treasurer Mike McNerney provided a budget update:

- We have reached our goal of \$10,000 for the fundraiser buyout with about a third of Avery families donating. We will continue collecting donations until the November PTO meeting. We will get the checks to teachers before winter break.
- Fall Festival was very successful this year and generated a record amount of income.
- The general assembly voted to approve adding a line item to the budget of \$8000 to fully fund all field trips for the rest of the school year. This will be reflected in the November budget update. This decision was made as a way for all Avery students to benefit from the surplus of money that we have right now. Keeping this line item in future budgets will depend on how future Fall Festivals and Auctions do.

Upcoming Events

- October 12: Avery day at Jet's Pizza.
- October 15: Adelaide Lancaster, co-founder of We Stories, will present on how to talk to your kids about race at 7:00 in the library. Childcare is provided.
- October 24: Avery night at the Webster Groves Panara from 4-8. You must show either a digital or paper copy of the flyer which will be found in the All Star News that week.
- October 31: Halloween Parade at 1:30, followed by classroom parties at 2:00
- **The next PTO meeting is Tuesday, November 13. Superintendent, Dr. Simpson will be speaking with parents about school safety.**

School Counselor Anna Garwood spoke about Bullying and Victimproofing. Her slideshow will be shared with parents.