**Notre Ecole PTO Meeting: Abbey, Clemence, Alex Crouchez, Dan Miller, Jamie Larson Jones, Jenna Anderson, Jes Brookes, Lida, Nichole Thomas, Christy Gudim, Jenny Olson-Cole**

Meeting date: 10/14/24

Meeting location: meet.google.com/kzo-dyqn-esf

1. Welcome -

2. Approval of minutes from September meeting - motion passed at 8:35 pm

3. President’s report: 1) Fall Festival Preparations are underway, thanks to volunteers who have signed up so far. We would still love help putting this on see this link to sign up! 2) The Fun Run is pledge-based, so have your kids reach out to family and friends – we are raising money for new playground equipment! 3) We’ve gotten 6 responses for our volunteer survey and we’d love more. This will help us reach out and plan for the year. 4) Note: No stay and play in October – just Fall Festival! 4. Treasurer’s report by Jenny: bought T-shirts and paid back Lida. Around $4,000 in the account (because $1500 for Lida’s T-shirt check not cashed yet, $800 will be for yearbook, cashed a check from US Bank? that was a company match for volunteer hours…). Discussed budget needed for Fall Festival and Fun Run. Noodles for $60, stamps from Jenny, Slack Line contributed by Clemence, 2 poles and possibly more from Abbey, chalk donated, old yoga mats donated by Clemence… Discussed what other items are still needed or desired for donation for Fall Festival. Dan is orchestrating the Fun Run. Alex Crouchez will confirm with Vanessa if we can use the space behind the dumpsters for the Fun Run or not.

5. New Business -began addressing at 9:01 pm:

a. Vote on Funding for a field trip next year - “Wilderness Inquiry” Field Trip at Theo Wirth – The cost of this trip is $3000 + $2000 for

transportation (2 buses). Are we able to offer a donation from the PTO? Michele needs to reserve a spot by October 18.

Voted to offer up to $500 but would need more time and information to raise anything above that. Also need to know by when they need to make payment for this reservation and how much help from us they were hoping for (most of that total amount or a smaller amount okay…?)

b. Several parents have asked about the front entry handrail and whether it can be fixed in place - Decision made to have Clemence ask Vanessa and Michelle to bring this up with the church and request that the church secure the railing for the safety of our children who hang on it.

c. Several parents are wondering whether a key fob entry would make things easier on the staff for building access - Clemence will ask school staff if anything like this has been considered.

6. Unfinished Business:

a. Voted to make the playground the main fundraiser for Fall Festival

b. Class reps - any continuing interest? Discussion ended when Team meeting ran out of time and cut the meeting off. Christy suggested there was interest and that if a clear process was given for signing up for this, that we could still get that going this year and that it would be of benefit to our school. Nicole was about to share when the meeting was cut off at 9:28 pm. Via email to conclude her thoughts, Nicole offered to lead the class rep thing. So finding a parent to be the class rep for each class will be needed, and they can all report to her/she will spearhead the cause.

Remaining agenda items that will need to be addressed at the following meeting are:

1. Are T-shirts accessible enough? Should they be put up on website?
2. Parent feedback, questions and open discussion.

**Next meeting:** 11/11/24 at 8:30PM CST