

Parkway Northeast Middle School PTO
Minutes of PTO Meeting
September 8, 2016
To be approved at February 9th PTO Meeting

Principal's Report –Dr. Bell

1. **Promising Practic Awards** – NEMS received these character awards for their 6th grade Day of Service and their Purple Pride Cards. Only 326 schools receive them in the world.
2. **Jets Pizza Fundraiser** – Doing these once per month. Only school wide fundraiser for our PTO. First one this year is September 14th.
3. **6th Grade Engage Testing** – September 15th-16th–Given during Health class. These tests will determine how students feel about themselves and middle school.
4. **Parent/Teacher Conferences** – Tuesday, September 27th and Thursday, September 29th
5. **Book Fair** – Sept. 23rd – 29th – NEMS Library
6. **Abilities Awareness Week** – September 26th – 30th - will be recognizing famous people and their disabilities.
7. **8th Grade Aspire Testing** – October 5th and 6th – this testing replaces the Explore testing which signifies early indicators for ACT. It shows the school where they need to “fill in the gaps” before the students take the real test.
8. **6th Grade Camp Dates** – Silver Team – October 18th-21st 2016, Purple Team – November 1st-4th 2016 and Red Team – April 18th – 21st 2017
9. **Red Ribbon Week** – September 24th – 28th – Anti Drug Campaign and Dress up Days throughout the week. 12 – 15 students from 6th – 8th grade were chosen and given training to be representatives for this week.

Officer's Reports

- **President/Vice President – Kenyatta William/ Karen Cassara**
 - Made motion to approve credit card set-up through bank for Purple Envelope and Spirit Wear
 - School store will now accept credit cards
 - Looking for volunteers for President and VP for next year's PTO board.
- **Secretary – Natalie Wolfman** – Minutes from last meeting in March approved. Shelly Stange volunteered to be secretary for next school year.
- **Treasurer – Cathy Kinamore** – Report approved
 - \$7,295 in current budget
 - \$3,121 from Purple Envelope
 - \$1,070 from Apparel sales
 - \$2,200 allowance split between all teachers for classroom supplies
 - \$100 for nurse for supplies
 - 2 Grants - \$200 Book Battle and \$250 for ESOL after school snacks
- **Committee Chairs**
 - **Purple Envelope/ Jodi Walsh**– Will be sending reminder and having extra envelopes at conference night
 - **Other Volunteer Coordinators** will be sending email/link out for volunteer signups for Pizzeria, Teacher Dinners, and Bookfair

Next PTO Meeting – February 9th at 6:30 p.m.