New Franklin School PTO Meeting Minutes

12/11/2019 @ 7PM

7:00 - Approval of Minutes Eva Marino and 2nd by Lindsay Beardsley.

Present: Joanne Simons, Josh Cyr, Jen Yager, Lindsay Beardsley, Eva Marino and Rhonda Young.

Absent: Judith Clark and Kellie Langs.

7:02 - Joanne’s Updates

* Kudos to all the Dads that are involved at school functions!
* Coming to end of instructional units.
* 5th grade band is at high school tonight.
* Uptick in behavior reports, for some kids.
* 13 families needed help this year, a donor gave $1000 but when realized it was more than 10 families, gave another $300.
* Gingerbread houses next week.
* Science tellers Thursday.
* Friday 12:20 early release, PJ day. Gather in gym to celebrate.
* Weds gift of time.
* Spelling bee, uptick in becoming anxious, it’s ok not to come as a parent. 3-5 on Monday.
* Fresh fruit is going well.
* The feedback was positive on the new venue at PHS, for K-2 Christmas concert.

7:10 - Gary the Clown Discussion and Vote

Who is Gary the Clown? He is retired Ringling brothers and Barnum and Bailey circus and is in the circus hall of fame. He has been coming to NFS for many years! Gary is an artist-in-residence, he has two schools, ten days and all students work with him and Mr. Lendrum on performances. Gary works primarily with 5th grade for the 5th grade circus. Other students will

be welcome to participate. Gary is magical, he can bring a child out of their shell, help them take chances, building incredible self-confidence. Changes at state level/Title I, they are not funding Gary anymore. $3,250 is cost of Gary. The PTO will use reserve funds and we will find a way to budget for Gary moving forward.

Motion to approve Gary Dave Cosgrove and Kelly Cio.

7:20 - Updates

* Movie Night - Great! Sound system is great, need new projector.
* Directory - Coming Soon Josh said it is coming soon.
* Charleston Wraps didn’t have a lot of time, didn’t make budget, but will try again next year.
* Pasta Dinner – Josh has started reaching out.

7:30 - Raffle Tix!

* $250 McBride
* $750 Kirsten Hales
* $1500 Connor Schoff

7:40 motion to Adjourn Josh Cyr and Lindsay Beardsley.