Call to Order
Called to order 6:04 p.m.
Welcome & Introductions
Review Minutes
Principal’s Report

- Stokes is continuing to #CRush goals, over 100 food boxes were distributed to families during the mobile food drive that was held at Stokes
- The Book vending machine remains popular, coins are collected from machine once it’s filled up to be reused & books are replenished as needed
- A $500 grant was received from DE Retired School Personnel, this will be used toward the “iRocked iReady” incentive
- IRLA reading levels have almost doubled from the beginning of the year to now (beginning of the year-25.4% proficiency, middle of the year (current)-48% proficiency)
- Governor Carney & education advocates held a press conference here at Stokes on 1/17/23 to discuss plans to support education, teachers, paraprofessionals, & staff. This was awesome & received recognition with WBOC, local channels, Philly stations, & social media.
- Volunteers are needed for “Stokes Reading Squad” 1-2x/week, there will be an approval process required for all interested volunteers, the link went out last week via email
  - This is similar to Mcllvaine's “Alphabet Army,” focusing on reading & phonics
  - Set to begin in early February 2023
o PBIS raffle will take place tomorrow for scholars who choose to participate using PRIDE bucks
o End of the semester celebration will take place 1/31/23-2/6/23
o Teacher of the Year nominations-open until 2/3/23, forms went home & are also posted on social media pages/district page
o Thursday 1/26/23- marking period 2 ends. Report Cards go home Wednesday 2/8/23, conferences will be Friday 2/10/23 in the afternoon

● Treasurer’s Report
  o Current balance=$12,523.62, this includes a deposit of $82.50 from Light Show Raffle & monthly $2 service fee
  o Anticipated expenditures will be Mrs. Dick’s reimbursement from the Light Show (form already submitted, pending payment)
  o Anticipated deposit in the amount of $586 from the school store (this will be ongoing so we can expect additional funds from this source)

● Updates
  o Upcoming Dine Out Night (Tuesday 1/24/23 5pm-7pm Camden Chick fil a), drive thru only, please mention & show flyer (paper or digital) prior to ordering
    ■ We receive 10% of sales
    ■ Has been advertised on social media, global connect (call & email), & distributed district wide
    ■ LaToya Smith will inquire about having the mascot to come the day of the fundraiser during lunch to promote.
    ■ Teachers/staff will promote the day of during parent pick up, daily announcements, pass out flyers at the end of the day (possibly stickers), anything to advertise & to get the kids excited to attend
    ■ Mr. Williams will send a reminder call afterschool that day
  o Upcoming Friendship & Laughter Dance (2/10/23 6pm-8pm)
    ■ Proposed amount will be $7/scholar (Stokes scholars only, 1 chaperone per 2 scholars)
    ■ Price includes: admission, 1 slice of pizza, 1 drink, & a glow item (necklace or bracelet)
    ■ Optional glow art activity with Mrs. Anthony will be a $5 add on. She will pre order supplies for 75 students, limited spots available for this activity
- Sandi Begor will inquire with Mr. Kraus or Mrs. Pennydecker’s husband to DJ & follow up with Kim Phillips. If neither are available, we plan to utilize a playlist to save money.
- LaToya Smith will inquire with 4 Seasons Pizza to see if we can get a deal for the pizzas (the parent of a scholar is the owner).
- AshLeigh McKinney will seek drink donations from Sams or Walmart.
- Kim Phillips will order glow sticks variety pack in bulk.
  - Academic Olympics—we will revisit & focus on this at the beginning of the next school year (September 2023) when we can have a bigger push/greater outcome.
  - The platform we use may be 99% Pledges or Vertical Raise, we can continue to brainstorm ideas for goals (individual & schoolwide) and levels/incentives.
- Rock Your Socks—all proceeds will go to support World Down Syndrome Day.
  - Kim Phillips placed an order for 400 socks, they will be sold for $2 each in adult & childrens sizes. Unsold socks must be returned by 4/1/23 to avoid being charged. More information will be discussed at our February meeting.

- Open Forum
  - Sandi Begor requested $460 ($6/scholar @ 75 students) in funds for a 5th grade Mobile Planetarium Trip, this would consist of 2 hours-1 hour inside the planetarium & 1 hour for research/learning.
  - The PTO will provide $320 towards the trip, to compensate for the $140 difference, scholars will pay $2 out of pocket for the trip.
  - Mrs. Roop inquired about dispersing information regarding the Polar Bear Plunge; information will be shared via Remind App, social media, & global connect once flyers are provided.

- Adjourn at 6:44 p.m.

**Next meeting will be February 16, 2023 @ 6:00 p.m.**