

PTO Meeting Agenda

10/10/19

In attendance:

Darcy Scholz, Jenna Rice, Becky Kosisko, Kirsten Londono, Kristin Lafferty, Brian Belous, Shannon Jackson, Jen Tewani, Janeille Ervin, Candice Boyle, Elizabeth Richer, Kate Goyette, Melissa Sternthal, Jen Connolly, Becky Flynn, Nichole Bierut, Tim Dunham, Chris Grumet

President's Welcome - Elizabeth Richer and Candice Boyle

Introductions

Gym Teacher Presentation Jenna Rice

- Physical Literacy
 - ...to move with competence and confidence....
 - Standards included in specific lessons
 - Skills clearly defined, assessed and modified
 - Social growth
 - Students engages and encouraged
 - Student encouraged throughout the day
 - Staff involved in physical activity
 - Staff should be good models
 - Parents:
 - Student should be pushed to do physical activity before and after school
 - Parents model good practice
 - Parents should create physical activity goals with student
 - Active lifestyle together

Treasurer's Report:

- Fall Fundraiser not as successful as we had hoped.
- 50 tickets sold for Parents Night Out
- Trick or Trunk Friday sold out
- 17 left for Saturday
- We are paid up for parent council dues and insurance
- Room rep is online and it is much easier

- Please let us know if you have a large company that does matching donations

Mrs. Kosisko:

- Halloween Parade:
 - Due to difficulty with traffic, the police have asked us to change the time of the parade so that it doesn't overlap with JH dismissal
 - Parties will happen before parade
 - Parade is at 2
 - Cars must leave by 2:45
 - No parking allowed on Fan Hill or side roads
 - Cars can park at Chalk Hill
- School Messenger went out with delayed openings. They added one so now we have a 90 minute, 2 hour and 3 hour delay. Lunch is always served on delayed days
- Budget plans have started
 - BOE starts now for 7/1
 - Sped costs were more than budgeted for
 - Insurance is cheaper so many people took it
 - So now we have a shortfall of 100,000 dollars and the district is on a spending freeze
 - This may affect some teachers who were not able to spend their budgeted money before the freeze.
 - Mrs. Kosisko reminded us that the children's physical and emotional safety is always a priority at Fawn Hollow.

VP Non Fundraising Report (Mike Rubin and Melissa Sternthal)

- Trick or trunk sold out on Friday and almost on Saturday.
- We need volunteers for both nights.
- Need to bring candy to give out and should decorate your trunk.
- Veterans' Day flyers will come home soon.
 - Early access
 - Mike Ganino will help with slide show.
 - Want to add names to the pictures this year
 - Food sign ups coming

VP Fundraising Report (Sam Bahamon and Jess Brito)

- Orders coming in on the 17th
- 14 deliveries and we can use help with that
- More info will be coming out
- Bags coming in the next day and will send home with children.

Auction Update (Sam Bahamon, Nichole Bierut, Mike Rubin, Michele Garofolo, Tori Wash)

- Donations are coming in!
- Will need lots of help the night of
- Encourage people to buy tickets!

Membership/Database Update (Chris Grumet and Shannon Jackson)

- Winners for membership: Mr. Benaroch is 96%
- Mrs. Rice/Mrs. Mazzeo 91%

Parent Council Update (Kirsten Londono and Tim Piedmont)

- Jack Zmary was at the meeting
 - Great SBAC scores!
 - Another analysis: 5th place of DRG A
- Field trips: we hope to offer online payment by the end of the year
- People felt it was frustrating to fill out the Ecollect forms online, then to have to do nurse forms on paper to return
- Maybe in the future we can print from Ecollect and send in
- Ken Kellogg was there
 - We have been able to turn over the Clock Tower work spaces quicker
 - Town bond rating up
 - Making a marketing video
 - Hiring someone to help with long range facility planning
 - Town Planner from Shelton coming to help bring more business in

Print Directory:

- Doing well with sponsors
- All due by next Wednesday
- Drawings in by Tuesday (8.5x11 in black pen)
- Last chance flyer with everyone's names that are included in the directory will go out soon.

Cultural:

- 1 booked, just waiting for contract
 - Jarrett Krosoczka - Lunch Lady series
 - Turning the Page is buying the books
 - 1/10/20 different sessions:
 - 9:15-10:40 K, 1,2,3
 - 10:45-1:15 Book signing
 - 1:15 4th
 - 2:15 5th
- Maybe do the book buying through the bookstore?
- Other possible authors:
 - Tommy Greenwald Grades 3-5 Crime Biter Series
 - Ryan T Higgins Grades K-2
- But maybe use the rest of the money for an assembly at the end of the year? Speedpainter? Magician?
- Or maybe we need to save that money for the Big Read assembly since there is budget freeze.
- Will also talk to Stepney cultural person to see what they are doing, what they spend

Room Reps (Jen Connolly and Tori Wash)

- Have reps for every room
- Room rep fund through PTO website
- Reimbursement form for purchases available

Mini Grants (Kate Goyette and Jill Kimball)

- Mini-grants deadline is November 8th
- Flyer going out earlier due to spending freeze
- 12/6 teachers will be notified

Boxtops For Education (Robyn Augustine and Kirsten Londono)

- Box top app
- Raised over \$615
- Scan receipt
- Goal \$750 by Nov.

New Business

- Swim party at Masuk
- Will offer 2 days and can pick a day
- Thinking in January
- Will do contests, races, prizes.....

Important Dates:

Oct 14 - No School!

Oct 25 and 26 Trick or Trunk!

Nov 8 - Veterans Day Breakfast

Nov 9- Auction/ Parents Night Out

Nov 12 - PTO meeting 7pm

Nov 14 School Store

Nov 27 EARLY dismissal at 1:35

Nov 28 and 29 NO SCHOOL