

November 3, 2020

PTO board meeting, regularly scheduled

Via Zoom, link sent in principal's October 30 email.

Agenda:

Principal's Report

11/2-11/15 Book Fair Online

-teacher gift cards or wishlists?

-gift cards or books for students who wouldn't normally be able to buy?

-advertising

11/5 PTO Autumn Craft Kit with School Supply distribution

11/10 6:30 Ways and Means Meeting

-proposal update

-any other agenda items for the meeting?

11/15-12/1 Bottle Drop 20% Match

Tshirts-ordering this week to be distributed at 11/19 school supply distribution

Directory

Future:

Jalisco's Fundraiser or other restaurant nights?

Book Group-So You Want to Talk about Race

In attendance:

Lynn Kane

Dana Brummet

Jen Davis

Kelly Medina

Jennifer Heuett

Yuli Martinez

Didi Moore

Meeting began at 6:37 by Lynn.

Principal's update:

Dana has started doing MCCTV videos with the 5<sup>th</sup> graders.

Conferences went really well. Lots of positive feedback from families. Thanks from the staff for the PTO gifts.

Started home visits for families that need such visits.

UO softball team put together goody bags for the kids on their birthdays.

Considering a spirit week for the week of Thanksgiving.

Bookfair is going well.

New re-opening metrics. Dana has a spreadsheet tracking metrics since July. New metrics looking at 2 weeks. Cumulative number is currently 500 but needs to be 382.

Question about how are teachers being guided to accommodate kids who aren't interested in engaging in the new technology? Dana can visit any rooms with a click of a button. Right now the teachers are focusing on student engagement. Wednesdays are data team meetings. Some classrooms have new technology – break out rooms, mirror pods, collaboration boards.

Is data being tracked on engagement? Dana has a tool tracking screens on/off and giving feedback to teachers and tracking teacher talk time to students, etc.

Bookfair update – started yesterday. Publicity is most of the work to be done. Free shipping at \$25 of books. Ships directly to families' homes.

Scholastic doesn't have a good way to create a teacher's wish list online. Could do a google doc with teachers' requests. Would also need to arrange delivery to the teacher's house/school. Consensus to not attempt teacher wish lists this year.

Historically Londa and some others would give students who otherwise couldn't afford to purchase books gift certificates to purchase books but it was never a Scholastic program or PTO program. Don't really know how to figure out the logistics of doing something similar this year. PTO has approximately \$2000 in our scholastic dollars account. Consensus that we will not attempt to replicate this program this year.

School supply distribution on Thursday but it is not school wide, only selected students. Teachers will instruct students if they need to pick up anything.

Craft kits – thankful wreath (since the pumpkins were a bust). – included in the next school wide supply distribution.

Papa's pizza – \$713 check. Yuli will schedule another fundraiser for the spring.

Jalisco's – still waiting for a response from the decision maker at the restaurant.

Will schedule a Mod pizza fundraiser.

Ways and Means meeting. Aaron discovered that November 15-December 1 we will get extra 20% matching funds. Put in the newsletter next week to remind folks to drop off during this timeframe. Aaron has only received one request so far for the ways and means meeting. No feedback from Mary re: typing agent yet. Dana thinks that Mary is in negotiations with a person from typing agent and pursuing a covid discount. Dana also talked to Karen because she wants to get novels for students. Maybe we could authorize a future \$1000-2000 for virtual shows/assemblies during the year?

T-shirts were ordered today and will be ready for the next school wide supply distribution (November 19). Consensus that we will not pursue payment from students for the t-shirts – they will be a nice gift.

Next week is the Ways and Means meeting. Lynn, Aaron and Dana will work together on how to vote. Dana will also be present to do a Q&A.

Thoughts about a virtual science fair? Maybe in February?

Meeting adjourned 7:30pm.