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Sunset View Elementary PTO Meeting Tuesday, January 9 3:30pm

Attended: Alyssa Sterne, Teresa Santoy, Jenn Coe, Katie Zielke, Wayne Thommason, Steven Harmsen, Nancy McLean, Debbie Pappas, Mariana Karnesky, April Jordan, Angie Lilyblade, Cali Thornton, Daiana Ledezma, Danielle Craigen, Jessica Gandy, Jenny Hill, Jules Eichner, Heidi Guizar

Welcome

Board

Old Business

- Approve Minutes from Previous Meeting
 - Motion to Approve by Cali Thornton 2nd by – Jenn Coe I's – 15 No's - 0

Principal's Report

Heidi

- School News Updates
 - The kids are excited for their PJ party tomorrow due to everyone reading. Thank you to all families for reading with your kids.
 - Kindness Week is coming up. A letter went home yesterday to explain it. To go along with it we will have kindness challenges and a spirit dress up week.
 - Please continue to be safe in the parking lot – thanks for helping us follow the rules and set good examples for the kids.

Yearbook Project

Jess

- Cover Art Work Contest
 - 1st will get to go on the cover & 2nd the back cover. Mrs. Guizar asked if we want to announce the winner to the kids and Alyssa mentioned we could give them a certificate.
 - Winner was Zack and 2nd place was Wee.
 - The rest of the 7 entries will be included in the book probably on their class page. Jenn will finish the form to know if people really don't want their kid in the yearbook when they have said no pictures.
 - The sunset background was chosen by a compilation of teachers and students that Jess poled. She asked if all at the meeting liked this as the choice and all agreed.
- Jess has 80 days to finalize the yearbook itself.
- Jess explained that she has the Kids at Hope Pledge on the first page and a spot for the students to put their names on, then the teacher pictures with the Treasure Hunter pledge.
- On another note...Jess volunteered to cover the crosswalk at Deschutes & Center and started to head down at around 8:05 and passed 2 groups of kids while walking down so she wants to suggest that anyone covering

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this crosswalk should head down by 7:50 as it seems those kids are coming early for breakfast.

- Heidi mentioned that the city did agree to put a crosswalk on the 4th side of that intersection but that when the city came and tallied how many kids come through that way, they got 5 one day and 7 the next so they aren't willing to put the crosswalk signal up as it costs too much money.
- Another mom noted that with the neighborhood down Center being slated to go to the new school, the amount of students coming that way could even get smaller (maybe)

Applebees Fundraiser for Risers

Danielle

- At the last meeting we decided to put \$2000 towards the new risers on top of Mr. Piatt's \$500 and the marimba account. In hopes to offset some of this expense, we decided that perhaps we could do another fundraiser. Applebees was suggested as an easy fundraiser.
- Danielle looked into it and found the following
 - We only need 4 weeks to set it up and you do so online.
 - Applebees takes a \$4 cut and we must put a \$100 deposit down but this goes towards the amount of food purchased. We can set the ticket price, a common price is \$10 thus \$6 per ticket is coming back to us. We sell the tickets and then pay Applebees 4x however many tickets are sold less the \$100 deposit. We must sell the tickets – at least 100 tickets – no more than 300 tickets due to seating capacity.
 - Breakfast would be 8 am – 10 am on a Saturday or Sunday – *most agreed a Saturday would get us the best turnout.*
 - We provide up to 10 people to serve or host – has to be at least 14 yrs old to serve, they only want 10 servers.
 - Breakfast includes Pancakes, Sausage, Scrambled Eggs, juice.
 - The 1st available date is Sunday Feb. 11 – but mostly open, at least 3 days a month that they are unbooked
- Others have seen younger students helping the in past, did they change policy? Perhaps students could help with greeting if not serving?
- Question was raised, how would we pick students who can help? Could we do shifts? Possibly choir students as they will use the risers the most?
- It was suggested that we table this fundraiser until after the Daddy Daughter Dance and all agreed that perhaps picking a May date would be best and we could discuss this further at the March meeting.
- Danielle will ask between now and March regarding our questions and we will finalize and choose a date at the March meeting.

Candy Gram

Alyssa

- Volunteers - April Jordan, Jess Gandy, Lesley Bryner, Beth Pirello, Danielle Craigen
- Anyone else willing to help?

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- Sub-committee to meet early next week? Alyssa will email everyone to confirm but those who had volunteered that are present in the meeting said Friday after school would be best.
- The plan would be to have 3 tiers of candy grams - \$.25 or Mustang buck would be a hard candy, \$.50 – pencil, \$1 – Loft cookie put in a baggie (these cookies are good for the nut allergy kids as they are not processed in a plant with nuts)
- There would be a quarter sheet card that the items would be stuck on to.
- There will be a window of time for parents to turn in an order if they want to, teachers would collect the parent orders in one envelope and then turn the envelope in to the PTO box on the final date of the window.
- Danielle Craigen shared that PTO Today's website has suggestions for how to do this fundraiser
- Sales for students can be done in the hall way during lunch time – per Heidi
- Those present from the subcommittee stated that Friday after school would be the best time to reconvene to further discuss, finalize and create.

Box Tops

Jenn

- Update that we sent \$234.90 for box tops in December. Although this wasn't a deadline per the Box Top people, we had some box tops expiring Dec. 31 so we wanted to make sure they got sent off.
- The final Soup Labels were also sent. We had just over 300 which doesn't equate to enough to qualify getting a Visa gift card as we received before but can be used to purchase "trinkets" that could be used as prizes for our box top contests.

Monthly Recap

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- The last of Spirit Wear order has been passed out
- Movie Night was a huge success, we had a great turn out.
 - Suggestion was made to line the gym with chairs in the future for movie night for the parents who forgot their chairs and can't handle sitting on the floor that long.
 - Kids seemed to really enjoy the art project and receiving their bells.
 - We ran out of hot chocolate even though we had lots. Sold lots of popcorn and candy. We do have candy left over for the next movie night so the next one will not cost us as much to put on.
- Mustang Stampede prizes were passed out

Treasurer's Report

Katie

- Wrote a check last meeting to pay for the risers.
- Spent \$311 on the movie night but brought in \$423.50

New Business

All

- Feb. 23rd Daddy Daughter Ball
 - a beloved event here.

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- We need to decide on a theme, set up, organizing, running smoothly during event, clean up and creating
 - We rented tables last year but found out that we can “rent” tables for free from the district – Heidi will double check that we can get round ones.
 - We will need to rent linens – Angie Lilyblade said that she has 2 connections to wedding venue vendors and perhaps they would be willing to sponsor/provide the linens?
 - Previous themes were Over the Moon, Daddies are a Girls’ best friend,
 - New Ideas - Ties & Tiaras, Lashes & Stashes, Sweet Moments (Candyland type motif), others? We want to make sure whatever theme we pick lends itself to the girls being able to be LITTLE girls not getting super dressed up prom style feeling like they have to go get a new fancy dress or hair done. Ties & Tiaras may make girls feel they need to go buy a tiara, Lashes & Stashes may imply the need for makeup (and dad’s may feel they should grow a mustache that mom’s may not like 😊), Sweet Moments with a candy type theme seems like we could keep it younger girl crowd friendly and we could advertise come as you are if we want.
 - Mr. Thomasson moves to go with Sweet Moments (Candy theme) Jenny Hill 2nd as well as 4 other people. Vote taken all said I to Sweet Moments with Candyland type theme.
 - We need to decide on center pieces, refreshments, decorations and the like. Last year was Albertsons cookies, lemon bars from Great Harvest, carrots. Suggestions for cheese & crackers, little smokies (check the budget as it may have gone over that year), apple slices, Angie suggested perhaps moms would be willing to donate appetizer foods.
 - Does anyone know of a DJ? Suggestion was made to ask at Tri-tech. Jenn said she would ask their principal.
 - Jess Gandy will provide pictures
 - It was decided that a subcommittee will need to meet asap to start planning. Alyssa said she would email out a date & time for that meeting. Teresa said she would put it out on Facebook to see if more people are interested in volunteering to help put it on.
- FYI - Pizza Night is Jan. 25th
 - FYI – Skate Night is Feb. 7th
 - Next month’s meeting will be at Feb. 13 @ 6:00pm for the internet safety meeting put on by RPD

Raffle/Adjournment

Board

- Fresh Picks Gift Cards – Daiana won the parent raffle & Mari won the faculty raffle
- Jenn motion to adjourn – Danielle 2nd to adjourn all in agreement

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****Next month's meeting is replaced by the Internet Safety Meeting. Our next regular PTO meeting will be on March 13**

Post meeting suggestions for Daddy Daughter Dance -

Daiana wants to help with Daddy Daughter Dance

Angie suggested having mustang bucks to help entice kids to help with set up & tear down.