

## WOOD OAKS PTA MEETING

Monday, October 19, 2020

### AGENDA

#### 1. Welcome

The meeting began at 1:10 pm.

**Attendees:** Dr. McElligott, Mrs. Beake, Anna Harris, Debbie Salzer Rothschild, Andrea Dalinka, Marlyse Serlin, Roseanne Gordon and Risa Applebaum

#### 2. Principal Report

Dr. McElligot reported:

- a. The smoothies for the teachers were a huge hit.
- b. Conferences were held on October 14-16. The teachers generally provided positive feedback and there were very few technical difficulties. Due to a technical issue, no breaks were included between conferences. 5-minute breaks for parents will be inserted between each conference in February. February conferences will take place again Wednesday – Friday.
- c. Emergency drills are taking place. They are done twice - - on A and B days.
- d. The morning routine is generally running smoothly. Parents will be reminded to fill out the daily survey before their child arrives at school. Incomplete surveys delay the check in process.
- e. Robin Baer and Dr. Kroeze will be touring the lunch rooms of the 4 schools. They will be evaluating a possible packaged lunch (likely pizza) to be distributed on October 29 and 30. The meals would be pre-packaged and ordered on-line.
- f. Students will have the opportunity to dress up for Halloween on October 29 (B-day students) and October 30 (A-day students and fully remote students). The school will not be collecting extra candy after Halloween.
- g. Students who have been fully remote have the opportunity to move back in to building. 16 students are coming back: 7 - 6<sup>th</sup> graders, 5 - 7<sup>th</sup> graders and 4 - 8<sup>th</sup> graders.
- h. The first quarter ends on Friday, October 30. Grades will be in the portal on November 2.
- i. No school on November 3 (election day).
- j. Picture re-takes will be on November 4 and 5, likely in the small gym.

k. Masks may be taken off during PE and recess if the students remain 6 feet apart. Masks remain on during dismissal.

l. Wood Oaks will be collecting used shoes.

### 3. Committee Reports

**District 27 race:** The race was very successful despite the challenge of being virtual. Over 300 people registered to participate.

**Teacher appreciation:** Mileen Zucker brought in smoothies before the conferences which were a big hit. Mileen is considering a food truck in the future, but needs to address the challenge of getting 60+ people through the line during the short lunch period.

**Spirit wear:** The spirit wear is in and ready to be distributed. Small tweaks will be made for the next sale. Debbie is looking into having parents select whether their child is an A-day or B-day student to facilitate the sorting and/or including the name of the student's 10<sup>th</sup> period teacher so items can be distributed at the end of the day. There were over 100 orders, more than in past years.

**Directory:** The directory is expected to come out towards the end of October. When it's ready, parents will be able to pay the fees and receive a directory.

**Events and Fundraising:** 23 painters participated in the virtual painting night on October 16. A few canvases and paint were offered for free and can be used for Club 27. The dine out at Upper Crust Bagel generated \$400 in sales. The next dine out is tentatively scheduled at Grill House on December 2. Considering McAlister's and City Barbeque for future events. Families will be invited to shop online in November for gifts at Embellish. The PTA will receive a percent back from the sales. Shipping is \$5 or free if spend over \$50. The PTA is considering other virtual events, including a trivia night or Family Feud through Zoom, an escape room, a virtual magic or comedy show or student-led lessons/presentations.

**Environmental:** Adrienne is working on recycling options for the printer cartridges. She will send the information to Mrs. Beake shortly.

**Book Fair:** The dates for the Fair are tentatively set for the dates surrounding the February conferences. As the event will be virtual, the committee will consider other dates, including dates that allow for delivery prior to Spring Break. Andrea will look into purchasing the summer reading books from Scholastic.

**8<sup>th</sup> Grade Party:** Address in the future.

**Budget:** The budget was updated to account for the styluses and spirit wear. Approved.

4. **New Business:** None.

**Next month's meeting:** November 18, 2020 at 1:00 pm.

The meeting concluded at 2:01.