

## WOOD OAKS PTA MEETING

Monday, January 11, 2021

### AGENDA

#### 1. Welcome

The meeting began at 1:05 pm.

**Attendees:** Dr. McElligott, Mrs. Beake, Anna Harris, Debbie Salzer Rothschild, Marlyse Serlin, Stacy Freel, Mileen Zucker and Heidi Sloan

Minutes from the November 2020 meeting were approved.

#### 2. Principal Report

Dr. McElligot reported:

- a. The holiday lunch provided by the PTA was from Little Louis. The teachers appreciated the lunch during the hectic last week of work.
- b. The adaptive pause is generally going well. The teachers miss the in-person interaction and are eager to get the kids back into the classroom.
- c. Friday, January 15 is a professional development day. This day will allow the teachers to prepare for the return of the students next week.
- d. PT Conference Maker opens Wednesday, January 20. Conferences will be held Wednesday, February 3 – Friday, February 5.
- e. The next material pick up for fully remote students is Thursday, January 21.
- f. Families are currently in the window to switch between fully remote and hybrid. This window closes Friday, January 15. 5 families elected to switch to the hybrid model and 2 families requested to go fully remote. These students will start February 1. The next opportunity to switch will be in April.
- g. There are currently no active clubs or sports. It is possible that track may take place in the spring in a modified fashion.

Ms. Beake reported:

- a. E-ROARS still be being generated. So far, about 1700 E-ROARS have been.
- b. On January 26, the 8<sup>th</sup> graders will be meeting with counselors thru Zoom. Each student will have a 10-minute time slot. 8<sup>th</sup> graders will receive an e-mail this Friday with course recommendations.

- c. Terra Nova testing (math and reading) will take place February 10 and 11 while students are in the building. They will take a slightly shorter version, all on line. Those at home will have a break. Fully remote students will have the opportunity to take it on February 12. Testing will probably be done 8:30-10:30.
- d. Yearbook pictures may be submitted until March 15.

### 3. **Committee Reports**

**New Board Nominations:** Need to start filling positions. All positions, except Treasurer, are currently filled by 8<sup>th</sup> grade parents.

**Welcome Wagon:** One new family. Information will be given to Shawna Schwalb so she can provide a goody bag to the family.

**Directory:** Most directories have been distributed. Information will continue to be posted in the newsletter and Facebook so parents know they still have the opportunity to pay the membership fee and get a directory.

**Book Fair:** The date is reserved. Possible special drawing for Amazon or Starbucks gift cards.

**D27 Race / Club 27:** No update.

**Teacher Appreciation:** Mileen Zucker: Will talk to Mrs. Beake and plan something small for the teachers when the kids come back.

**8th Grade party:** Mileen Zucker: Working on the t-shirt with Chad Cohen and would like to get the order form out soon. Working on a gift. May tentatively book a party with the hope it will happen.

**Spiritwear:** Deborah Salzer-Rothschild: Hopes to roll out a spring/summer line before Spring Break.

**Events/Fundraising:** Anna Harris: The fundraiser with Superdog is next week. The fundraiser will run for the entire week and will include the locations in Wheeling and Chicago. Still looking into virtual events like a virtual escape room or something like Amazing Race to get kids out of the house. The events would take place in March or April. The PTA raised \$200 from Amazon Smile.

**Illinois PTA:** Deborah Salzer-Rothschild: The Illinois PTA provides useful information about keeping kids engaged. Some of these ideas will be incorporated into PTA's blog.

**4. New Business:** None.

**Next month's meeting:** February 11, 2021 at 1 p.m.

The meeting concluded at 1:44.