

PTO Ice Cream Social Debrief

6/5/18

Attendance: Dawn Keech, Kelly Pfeiffer, Karen Hulsebus, Jason Prince, Peri Stone-Palmquist, Katie Loomis, Jenn Lill, Jen Bjurman, Kerri Mose

Garden:

- Web site is being paid for -- but we agreed it isn't needed, given Instagram and Facebook pages. It will be taken down.
- Talked about promoting Instagram page on Monday Message and parent guide we created.
- Talked about creating a summer signup for week-to-week care (may want to put in perpetual calendar to do sooner next year). They would be in charge of checking on the garden 1-3 times, water as needed, pick items, weed.

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- Silent auction - Raised about \$2,500 (versus \$3,500 budgeted). Thinking that moving it inside because of the rain caused decrease. Also, no Disney donations this. Fewer bids, lower bids b/c of rain location.
- Ticket sales were down, but we also gave 20 tickets to each student this year
- Stretch goal of \$8,500 was goal this year but we raised \$6,100 (last year was \$7300). (We pre-donated \$1000 worth of tickets to school this year, although not every student used it.)
- Gaga pit was big attraction, so we should charge tickets and have prizes next year.
- Talked about giving free tickets by flyer versus giving the tickets.
- Have a sign up - "Donations accepted."
- Increase tickets for face painting. (Was 6 this year; maybe 8 or 10 next year)
- Kids raffle - we had tons of prizes this year. Need a sign up - Limit 2 prizes per student. One teacher prize per student.
- Maze Runner - Had 2 volunteers but needed 4. Charge more. Get more flag football belts.
- Games dysfunction - splash dunk didn't work initially and then the pitch one malfunctioned. Games coordinators will see if we can get a discount from next year.
- Pigs may need a better location.
- Could we maybe give 10 tickets away instead of 20? May depend on budget at the time. Make sure we do a flyer.
- Do we want to see at how much it costs to get insurance? Lots of disappointment over no bouncy house / slide.
- Could we look at new vendors? Pedicars? Bubble suit. Bring list to fall PTO meeting.
- DJ asked for a rain plan to be made. Worried about equipment.
- Would have helped to develop a rain plan ahead of time (parents may have tents they could donate to help).

- Food. Need better signage. There wasn't any recyclable tubs out. PTO needs to put recycling tubs in the budget. Kelly will get prices for tubs. Need co-chair for food and another volunteer per shift.
- Peri will follow up with church volunteers.
- NHS at the middle school or high school have required volunteer hours.
- We should set a price list in the fall for all events throughout the year. That way things won't vary from event to event (all PTO events should be priced consistently).
- Games: other schools continued to have inflatables at their school events; get feedback from them on how they managed this post-district policy changes. The games were not as big of a draw this year. Not having the rock wall slide or something similar impacted level of participation.
 - Look at full catalogue from Fun Services early in the year and consider what we think the kids would enjoy the most
 - Look into having sponsors to pay for insurance rider so we can get inflatables next year
 - Generally think we need a couple better game options next year; felt flat this year especially with one game completely out of commission
 - Sumo wrestling suits in the gaga pit??