

## PTO Exec Meeting

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### Principal Report-Nancy Zitzmann

- We haven't ordered our games yet from the foundation grant. We received \$800 that we can spend on the large games. 5 games was just over \$1000.00 Plan is to cut a game to get closer to \$800. Plan was to order a giant Connect four, jenga, canon ball drop, giant checkers, and giant twister. Will likely cut giant checkers.
- Draft calendar for next year is out. Need to decide what days/times to have PTO exec meeting. Will be determined when board is decided for what works best for everyone's schedules. Tuesday, December 20th is the last day before winter break next year. Halloween is on a Monday next year, thinking of having parties and parade on Friday, 10/28.
- Food for parties-For future parties we will stick with plan for winter parties. Allergy parents can bring food for everyone, allergy parents can bring own kids food, allergy parents can work with room parents to decide what is served at parties. Casey Ann Merman still needs to approve all food being brought in.
- Concern with upcoming valentine parties and treats/candy that come with Valentines. Decision that no food/candy will be given out with valentines. Non food items allowed.
- After school programs. Mr. Tevlin contacted Nancy about doing an after school club/program on cartooning. He was told to call central office to book room. He didn't have insurance so was told he couldn't do it. Mr. Tevlin was told he could do it at Edgar Road because the PTO sponsors after school programs. If we sponsor after school activities as a PTO, we would have to approve programs and the provider wouldn't make any money on it. Will f/u with PTO president at Edgar Rd to see how they do it. Becky will reach out to Todd Tevlin for information on how to coordinate.
- Playground grant hasn't been released yet.
- MLK assembly is Friday morning 9:00 a.m. It is student run. MLK walk/assembly walk from Steger to City Hall is moving for the kids. It is on Sunday night before MLK holiday.
- Kindergarten orientation is next Thursday, January 21st. Art fest 1/19.
- Musical moments will come talk to the kids about good Sportsmanship. Sponsored by the St. Louis Sports Commission. Provided at no cost to us.

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- Specialist teachers were commenting about the slow drop-off procedures so Robo call was made tonight reminding parents of proper drop off etiquette.
- Jar wars is next week. Proceeds will go to Webster Rock Hill Ministries.

### **Teacher Report-Jamie Devlin**

- Teachers went to a good PD session on the first day back.
- District assessments starting up again.
- Government done with No Child Left Behind. No they do Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) putting assessments back in the hands of the states.

### **Presidents' Report-Becky Hauser, Holly Kunze**

- Dads' Club 1st meeting is 1/28 at Llewelyns at 6 p.m. All dads welcomed to attend. Nancy to get feed back from teachers if anything is needed from the dads in the classroom. Will be in Bulldog Bulletin next week.
- Planning for next year's Exec Board and who is staying or retiring. There are term limits to each position. Limit is 4 years of consecutive board service except treasurer and auditor.

Sherri Fowler is off, Diane Haynes staying as corresponding secretary, Holly Kunze is undecided, Kevin Mitchell is undecided, Katie Franke will stay 2nd VP, Kelly Ensor will return as recording secretary, Jamie Devlin will stay on as teacher rep, Stephanie Simpson is undecided, Sara Calame will remain as auditor, Ellen Moriarty is off, Naomi Neal will return as 1st VP. Becky Hauser will stay on the board but in a different position.

Board members encourages to talk to other parents to encourage involvement. Openings will be posted on FB and in bulletin.

- Need a list from committees also who will or won't return next year so we can recruit replacements.
- School toolbox is starting already for next year. Generating lists and will inform new kindergarten parents about tool box.
- We've raised \$2000 already from Schoola clothes drive. Will get check around February. They asked if we want to do another drive in January. We need 12 bags

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for them to pick up. Plan to do another drive soon. Possibly can get a committee to organize this in the future.

- Can do fundraiser at Fenton Skyzone. They give a portion of proceeds if we have more than 50 jumpers back to the school. Looking at 2/11 to do this fundraiser (no school 2/12). Holly will f/u.

### **1st VP report-Ellen Moriarty, Naomi Neal**

- Art fest is next week. Dacia Stewart is looking for volunteers. Diane will put on FB.
- Stephanie Simpson coming to exec meetings as a representative for welcoming committee. 20 plus people on Welcome committee. Members will be encouraged to sign up for committees outside of the welcoming committee. Some people commented they didn't want to be on PTO but want to be on the welcoming committee. Goal is to get the two groups working more closely together. The committee is sending emails explaining upcoming school events, they are also holding a table for trivia night for new families.
- Trivia night next year will not be at Rigali Center next year. Next year will be at the Electrical Workers Union on Hampton/44. Can hold 500 people.
- Holly & Kelly already have donations coming in for next trivia night. Gaffneys are doing marketing. 90's theme this year, table encouraged to dress up. Doors opening at 5:30 p.m., trivia will start at 6:30 p.m. Kory Kunze and Jason Hodge will MC. John O'Neill will DJ. Not doing premiere tables this year. Talks about doing a premiere bar, plans being finalized. Thoughts of doing a take home cup with unlimited beverages. Volunteers will wear t-shirts. Encourage people to reach out to connections for donations. WGSD foundation wants to promote night golf sign up party at each school's auction. Circa properties/Joel Svoboda Team is the new title sponsor this year.
- Fund a Need ideas-Maker's space an idea from Anne Link. Need to research more and find space. Smart boards, more sensory items (stand up desks).

### **2nd VP Report-Katie Franke, Kevin Mitchell**

- May 13th is the WGSD foundation night golf event.
- Cyrano's Food for thought Mardi Gras party is Sunday, 1/31.
- BOE hasn't meet yet. They are interviewing for the new superintendent.

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**Corresponding Secretary Report-Diane Haynes**

- Marquee will be updated tomorrow.

**Treasurer/Auditor-Sherri Fowler, Sarah Calame**

- Current balance is around \$50,000. This includes 5th grade fundraising.

**Upcoming dates**

- January 14th-PTO meeting
- January 15th-MLK Assembly 9 a.m.
- January 18th-No School
- January 19th-Artfest
- January 21st-Kindergarten Open house/Orientation-6:00 p.m.
- January 25th Kindergarten Registration for 2016-2017
- February 1st-Executive Meeting 7 pm