PTO General Meeting Agenda 4/1/24

 Welcomes were performed

 Mrs. McCarthy, Kindergarten teacher
 • Q&A: how important is preschool and in this building in kindergarten readiness?
   • What works for your family, you can do home prep
   • Is there a friend grouping into kindergarten? If you want to mention other students, please let admin know. Kindercamp can help them make friends.
   • Are the more ready students grouped together? Personality? Birthdays? Look at all of the data and make the class sizes and prepare to teach all of the abilities.
   • 90% of incoming kindergartners do kindercamp.
   • Kindercamp includes bussing
   • What can parents do to help prep their incoming kindergartners?
     • Kindercamp
     • April 30th Kindergarten in Action Night 5:30-7 here at NP

 Maria O’Reilly
 Budget update – under budget for winter event expenses coming in for carnival can we do something for the 4th grade graduation?

 Principal Update
 • Last 2 months with fewer days off
 • 4th grade trip tomorrow to visit Westwood
 • Thursdays in April, parents are invited to visit their student’s grade ¾ music class
 • Art Adventure this Friday
 • May 10 4th grade track and field
 • April 30th, Kindergarten in Action
 • MAP and MCA testing in April and May
 • Still working on what school will look like next year based on study and feedback – working on prototype
   • assess every year
   • compare how students did before and after combining two years
   • interviewed the students, too
   • final announcement will be in the newsletter, ~end of April
   • NO all school field trip, teachers know the money is there earmarked for busing for field trips or speakers
   • Spring pictures coming up

 Winter event follow up
 • Good, but disjointed with upper part and then long path to skating
 • Good to have Panther Foundation table
 • Is it accessible enough to all of the student body?
 • Is lay out ok? Photobooth was hidden
• Partner with SLP Hockey to coach kids who cannot skate?
• Not have it on same night as Panther with a Purpose party

Upcoming PTO events:
• Mileage club will have their planning meeting tomorrow
• Art Adventures for 3/4th - April 5
  • paintings and tactile art from MIA to share
  • pieces connected by a theme
• Field day
• PTO will have table at Kindergarten information night -April 30th
• Teacher appreciation week, May 6-10
  • sign up will be going out for treats and raffle baskets, Friday breakfast foods
  • students can write notes for staff members
• Spring Carnival – May 17
  *Can Acapulco have two lines to help flow?
  *one larger prize on way out
  *learner showcase at spring carnival

How do we get more parents in PTO meetings?
• Time? Child care? What kind of incentives?

Social Media Director position is open and vote will be held at May meeting, May 6th

Popcorn party drawing -Teresa-Saladis’ class