

Steuart W. Weller Elementary School

PTO Meeting Minutes

October 4, 2018

Called to Order by Josh Martin: 6:30pm

BOARD REPORTS:

Principal's Report - Julia Burton

- 812 students currently enrolled. Some classes have 27 kids. Numbers are large in 4th grade & Kindergarten. Those grade levels went from 6 teachers to 5 teachers in order to accomodate Full Day Kindergarten.
- 2020 slated to put an addition on for 3 additional classrooms, bathrooms & 2 resource offices.
- Record #s of parents coming in to volunteer. There is talk of getting bulletin board for volunteers in action!
- Kadie Jones is working to bring in new authors. Either in person or via Skype.
- October 22nd - Professional Development Day for Teachers - Social & Emotional Needs for Kids. What additional instruction do kids need to be successful?
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President's Report - Josh Martin

FUNDRAISING UPDATE:

- NO Frills Fundraiser - raised over \$5000 to date.
- Spirit wear - sold over 190 items. Will likely carry inventory so that others can buy at special events.
- Photo Shoot Fundraiser - next weekend. 15-20 families have signed up.
- Pie Sale Fundraiser - to be held mid-October thru November. Delivery around Thanksgiving time.

FLEX ACADEMIES

- Josh has been working with Flex to understand their pricing. Contract with them thru the end of the school year.

VOLUNTEERS

- Lots of information on the PTO website
- Lots of ways for anyone to help. Take photos at events, write a blog for the website, volunteer at events.

LOYALTY PROGRAMS - Harris Teeter, Giant, Amazon Smile

- So important to sign up each year. It is a very simple way for SWES to earn money for our school.

FACEBOOK & WEBSITE UPDATES

- 10% increase in the # of followers
- 600+ users in the past month/1000 sessions

FREE EVENTS

- Lego Movie - Friday October 5th. Prizes for everyone.

Vice Presidents Report - Anthony Borradori

SPOOKY BINGO

- Forms went home today. Need for volunteers - signup genius has been set up. If you volunteer - you get a saved seat when your job is done.

LEGO MOVIE NIGHT

- Thank you to the Belotti family for the projector donation. Very much appreciated.
- December 7th for a potential 2nd movie night.

Secretary's Report - Brenda Stromberg

- September meeting minutes approved
 - 1st by Carrie Wright
 - 2nd by Nancy Fuller

Treasurer's Report - Carrie Wright

- Largest source of income - No Frills Fundraiser
- Corporate Sponsorships
- Add a line item for PTO expenses for Corporate Donations
- \$4000 was donated by Nova Dentistry to purchase sleeves for Chrome Books
- \$350 donated by Phoenix Tae Kwan Do for the Lego Movie Night
- Chick FilA Spirit Night brought in just over \$100
- \$1100 has been donated-> In-Kind Donations (gift cards or vouchers)
- WhiteTail gave ski lessons to be raffled off at Spooky Blngo
- Large expenses in September - \$5200 for Myon (reading program) + \$2195 for Reflex Math + \$500 for movie license

SPONSORSHIPS: Reported by Heidi

- The Zone, Dulles Golf have made in-kind donations.
- December movie night - Ashburn orthodontics has agreed to sponsor.
- Caring & Sharing has gone to all major grocery stores in the area to ask for donations.
- Spirit Night - Nov 5th - Temple Hall Fall Fest - \$10 for group rate - 50% back to the school for anyone that comes in between 11am-2pm. Also working on Moms Night at AR Workshop - Nov. 14th - need 35 people to fill the session.
- Checking with Barnes & Noble for potential location for evening PTO meetings.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

ASAP Report - Rasha Saad

- Nothing to report.

Watch Dog Dads - Nancy Fuller

- Nothing to report.

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SEAC - Jamie Levy

- Nothing to report.

Caring & Sharing Committee - Kate Tabor

- 1st staff lunch on Wednesday October 17th - the lunch will have a soup/salad/sandwich theme. Will get more catered lunches this year as our budget went up.
- Sending sign up genius to room parents to send out to each of their classes in an attempt to get more volunteers.
- Will also provide for the bus drivers during bus driver appreciation week.
- Kate Tabor is trying to support room moms - created a room parent guide that went out today.

New Business

Friday, March 8th - Staff Volleyball versus SLES. Kate Tabor is heading up this committee.

Innovation Lab - Christine Fahim

- Desks have arrived. Seats will ship October 12th. End of the month the teachers will be able to come in and check out the lab. Ordered 10 Virtual Reality Glasses. Code & Go Mice have been ordered.
- Still needed: Interactive panel (\$3000-4000), Microscopes, More virtual reality glasses.
- Lots of alcohol packets for the glasses.

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:45pm:

1st - Carrie Wright

2nd - Nancy Fuller

Our next PTO meeting will be held on Friday November 2 at 8:30am.