



NOTES from PTO Meeting Tuesday, October 20, 2020

Location: Zoom

Time: 7:30pm

1. Welcome & Introduction: Cristina Prior & Melissa Moran, Dr. Joanne King
2. Ways to volunteer (Examples: Board seats, Recess Supplies, 5th Grade Celebration): please reach out to fill, shadow or share.
3. Halloween Car Parade: WILD BOO-THRU (Nicole Barletta, Lisa Caraviello)
 - a. In lieu of Monster Bash
 - b. Can be Fri Oct 30th. RPD ok with it, especially if we block times. Don't need a Detail b/c not on a main road. Timing 6-7:30
 - c. Decorations:
 - i. only have 2 places for extension cords (Caf & Staff Lounge), so can only have at the very front of the building
 - ii. Decorated cars parked on field side (max 15)
 - iii. Anything we set up needs to be monitored.
 - d. Need volunteers for (1) set-up, (2) handing out candy, (3) monitor during, (4) clean up. Volunteers need masks. SUG for time slots. Volunteers need to be adults.
 - e. Messaging:
 - i. This week - Announce Event and include SUG for donations
 - ii. Separate SUG for donations, volunteers, times for driving thru
 - iii. Next week - Email about how it will work, details, safety: car ONLY, WE ONLY, time slot SUG
4. Flamingo Flocking (Christy Mraz)
 - a. SUG filling in
 - b. Still flocks available to be purchased
 - c. Message in newsletter and beginning of Nov to push sales
5. Little Library Project (Jessica Hester & Christy Mraz)
 - a. Research shows homes with adult readers produce child readers. Goal is to make texts more accessible during Covid as well as just having a fun place to discover books
 - b. Will set up two Little Libraries - one for adults, one for children, will register them
 - c. Mraz family building the library.
 - d. Book donation drive to get it going - start on Oct 30 with bins set up during Friday supply pickup
6. Virtual Enrichment

- a. Miss Norcross looking into virtual author & illustrator visits. Due to tech constraints, it would be one class at a time. Chosen author determines grade level due to their target age/expertise
 - b. Could look into Science or other type of virtual offerings for Spring, but would be a lot to insert onto teachers' plates and schedules at this point in the Fall
 - c. New ideas welcome if anyone would like to pick up the Enrichment role
7. Spirit Wear (Karen Mahoney)
- a. Working with a new online vendor from NH for youth & adult apparel, should be ready to go in the next few weeks. This would be a direct order site
 - b. We do have a current stock of inventory. Ideas for safely selling include:
 - i. Hanging in Caf window with a QR code linked to Square
 - ii. Photos & Square link or order form in newsletter
 - iii. Discounting older styles
8. Holiday Book Fair
- a. Online
 - b. date being determined with Follett. Run by Kelly Mahoney & Kerry Giordano
 - c. Profits to rebuilding Library's non-fiction collection
9. Communication: Fall Preview & Room Parents
- a. Teachers are still asking for room parents
 - b. Jackie Hanley working on messaging to room parents about the role, etc.
10. Ideas, Questions & Comments
- a. Teacher Appreciation: normally provide snacks for Conferences. Provide a take-home treat instead this year. Lauren Fazio to coordinate with Meghan Doyle
 - b. 5th Grade Moving On Org Meeting will be in January. Should reach out to Sarah Bhuta & Caitlin Koehler (last year's chairs) for tips before then.

Thank you for attending! Volunteer and raise ideas at woodendpto@gmail.com