

# Five Oaks PTO Meeting Minutes

Thursday, October 13th, 2022 7:00 - 8:00pm via Zoom

#### Those in attendance:

Board Members - Katie Hickenbottom, Elizabeth Staly, Kimberly Hawk Staff - Kelly Laverne, Kristy Brady, Wynter Jones, Kimberly Sidorowicz, Oday Vega Alvarez, Luke Martin

Parents - Becky Rice, Erin Harrington, Ashlee Richards, Ricardo Bautista Cruz, Aija Butler, Ridha, Angelica, Maryam Amiran

# Call To Order - 7:01pm

Welcome and Introductions: Board members and school staff introduced themselves.

Review of September Meeting Minutes (approval required) - Motion to approve by Elizabeth and seconded by Kimberly. Minutes approved.

# Principal's Report - Kelly Laverne

We are off to a great start this year with students settling in, working hard and following increased expectations. Conferences are next week through Advisory teachers, who follow students throughout 6th-8th grades. The second week of November is the end of the first quarter and teachers will post grades in ParentSquare.

Honoring all the cultures in our school is a big focus in Advisory classes. October is Hispanic Heritage Month as well as Filipino American History Month and the Eighth Grade Leadership Team is leading a Dia de los Muertos project. They have been very strong this year, also leading the Falcon News Network.

Students who fundraised enough to earn it are are excited about the October 26th field trip to SuperPlay. There will also be an evening field trip on November 15th to see a Blazer's game. Students will need to apply by filling out an application specifying how they are helping/contributing to their school and community. The approximately 85 selected students will eat dinner at the school and ride buses to see the game. The PTO is paying for the buses from our Cafeteria Volunteer Fund from last year.

Picture retakes will occur on Thursday, November 3rd. We will ask for some parent volunteers to help with this.

### President's Report - Katie Hickenbottom

NAMI: Kimberly presented information about the Washington County's National Alliance for the Mentally III's Youth Mental Health - Parent Education Support Program that will be held on Saturday, October 22nd from 9-12pm at the Oak Hills Recreation Center. It is free and addresses the youth mental health crisis and provides families with available local resources and supports. More details can be found at washconami.org.

Fall Fundraiser Update & Feedback: Our fundraiser was very successful, with 117 students participating and raising over \$19,000. Part of this will go toward paying for the prizes and the fundraising company we used. October 26th is the field trip to SuperPlay with 52 students and five adult chaperones. The PTO is paying for the buses from the Cafeteria Volunteer Fund. Some students and one parent expressed being unhappy with the \$50 minimum contribution for prizes and the competitive nature of this fundraiser. Ideas for the future were discussed, including one from Wynter Jones, which involves students hosting an art show after school and selling their own artwork. An admission fee could be charged or a raffle held to raise more money. The idea of a silent auction was also suggested.

<u>Vice President's Report - LeAnn Gentry</u> (presented by Katie Hickenbottom) We raised \$400 from the Meating Place event on October 7th! Our next Restaurant Night occurs tomorrow at Papa Murphy's in Tanasbourne. There will also be an evening event at Mapel Boutique on November 15th. They provide drinks, snacks and a fun shopping experience.

## <u>Treasurer's Report - Kimberly Hawk</u>

September Budget report: The ending bank balance for September was \$4925. We earned \$36 from GotSneakers, \$11 from Amazonsmile and \$203 in Back to School Night donations (\$50 specifically for Staff Appreciation). We sold 33 Jamba Juice cards, earning \$328. Expenses included \$600 for the Wrap Around Town food truck to feed staff at BTSN.

Requests For Funds: Luke Martin presented a request for \$1000 for the after school Culinary Club. He is awaiting approval for an S4 Grant from the Beaverton Education Foundation that will pay for buses and teacher stipends. If that is received, this funding will pay for food. **Kimberly made a motion to approve and Katie seconded. Motion was approved.** 

Wynter Jones requested \$200 for Awareness Stencil T-Shirts for her seventh grade classes, which will fund the cost of t-shirts, stencils and paints. Students will learn about the function of art as activism and creating awareness about topics that are important to them. **Katie made a motion to approve and Kimberly seconded. Motion was approved.** 

<u>Volunteer Coordinator's Report - Christina Griffith</u> (presented by Kim Hawk) Conference Meal Sign Ups: We are providing teachers with dinner on the 19th and breakfast, lunch and dinner on the 20th through a combination of business donations and discounts and family donations. If you can help, please sign up for dinner and/or lunch at:

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090d49abac23a31-conference

To make room in the cafeteria for this year's fundraiser poster boards, we will be taking down last year's boards on Friday, October 21st from 10-12pm. If you can help, sign up on your existing <a href="mailto:myimpactpage.com">myimpactpage.com</a> account. We'll post later dates for putting up the new boards as well as putting the Honor Our Veterans boards out side the school before November 11th.

#### Open Forum

No items were presented for discussion.

The meeting was adjourned by Katie Hickenbottom at 8:01pm. Our next meeting is Thursday, November 17th at 7pm via Zoom. Minutes taken and submitted by Elizabeth Staly.