

FIVE OAKS PTO MEETING AGENDA

Thursday, October 21st, 2021 7:00pm - 8:00pm via Zoom

Those in attendance:

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

Parents - Dr. Karen Perez-Da Silva (BSD Board Member), Satnam Singh, Andy, Sharon De Mots Henrichs, Faiza Rashid, Michele Simantel, Alexander Knopf, Marirela Tzin, J. Page Beedy, Martha Elizondo

Call To Order - 7:02pm

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

There have been four confirmed positive cases of Covid at Five Oaks. Assigned seating on buses and in the cafeteria are helping. Thank you to students and families for understanding and cooperating. Student testing in the building will be happening soon and the administration is waiting to hear if volunteers can assist with the process. The Virtual After School Club Rush launched this week via email. Clubs begin on November 2nd and registration is due by October 25th, so please review the options with your student if they are interested in clubs and verify they are signed up. The first quarter is ending soon, so please check that your student is turning in all assignments.

President's Report - Kimberly Hawk

Bylaw Revisions: The proposed revisions for the Five Oaks PTO bylaws have been posted on the website for over thirty days and have garnered no questions or comments. **Kimberly made a motion to approve the revisions and Elizabeth seconded the motion. The motion was approved.**

Open President's Position: River Hemken resigned her position as President on October 11th, 2021. The Vice President will function in this role until the vacancy is filled. Parents who want to actively engage with the administration and provide support to students and staff are

encouraged to review the duties of the President in the bylaws and email treasurer@fiveoakspto.org if interested or if more information is needed. In the event a parent is interested in assuming the Vice President's role, Jenny Sawyer is willing to be nominated for President. The election will be held at the November meeting.

Vice President's Report - Kimberly Hawk for Jenny Sawyer

The Thirsty Lion event held in September ultimately failed to raise funds as the total amount families spent did not meet the minimum requirement of 15% of the total raised being greater than \$100. Thirsty Lion is offering the FOPTO a \$30 gift card.

The event held at Papa Murphy's pizza on October 8th raised \$192.75. This event will be offered the second Friday of every month for the entirety of the school year. Order online for the Tanasbourne location on November 12th and enter code GIVE30.

Mapel Boutique in Bethany Village is holding a fundraiser for Five Oaks on Thursday, October 28th. Shop online or any time all day and mention FOPTO for 20% of all full price sales to be donated. Shop in person between 5-7pm and enjoy sweets and drinks as well. A special gift will be offered for purchases of \$75 or more. Two salesclerks at this location are also Five Oaks parents!

Future events for venues serving desserts will be explored such as Menchie's Frozen Yogurt.

Ongoing opportunities to donate include linking Amazonsmile and Fred Meyer/QFC Rewards Cards to FOPTO, the Box Tops app and Bottledrop. Collect cans and bottles and FOPTO will pick them up and turn them in for you! Email treasurer@fiveoakspto.org if interested. There is a Bottledrop bag in the staff break room already and students will be encouraged to recycle their cans and bottles in the cafeteria in the future.

A question was raised about the recent Five Oaks Support Our School fundraiser and it was emphasized that this event benefits the school's Student Body Fund and is not associated with the FOPTO.

Treasurer's Report - Kimberly Hawk

For the month of September, the ending bank balance was \$4330. \$312 was deposited in funds from a Paypal donation and contributions at the Back-to-School Night. A total of \$318 was spent for website fees, a cash box and a BSN meal for staff of pizza, salad and cookies.

Requests For Funds/Teacher Grants (Vote Required)

Art teacher Wynter Jones presented a request for \$500 to be spent among 200 students for a project involving public service announcement t-shirts. Students will learn about art as activism by identifying a cause important to them and creating a message on their shirt with stencils and specialized spray paint. A discussion of "art beyond technique" ensued and much enthusiasm

for the project was expressed. Elizabeth suggested she can pursue getting supplies and/or funds donated through her connections with Nike and the ACLU. A suggestion was made to have the FOPTO fund half of this project and the school's Student Body Fund could provide the remainder of the request in the event Elizabeth is unable to secure donations. Kelly was agreeable. A motion was made by Kimberly to approve \$250 and was seconded by Elizabeth. The motion was approved.

<u>Volunteer Coordinator's Report - Rachel Woody</u>

Volunteers at Five Oaks must be approved by the district after a background check. Proof of a Covid vaccine or a medical/religious exemption is also required. A link to getting approved for volunteering through Better Impact is available at five-oakspto.org.

Cafeteria Assistance: Volunteers are needed to assist students and staff during lunch as students have to stay in their seats and raise their hands if they need a napkin, ketchup, etc. Counselors and the social worker are utilizing their time in the cafeteria which could be better spent elsewhere if there were parent volunteers present. Various shifts are available through myimpactpage.com. In the past, BSD has paid \$10 to the PTO for every volunteer shift in the school cafeteria. Parents employed by Nike and Intel can also earn money for the PTO through their employers by volunteering.

Picture retakes: Picture retakes are scheduled for Thursday, November 4th. Volunteers are needed to escort students and assist the photographer as requested. Two shifts are available through myimpactpage.com.

Comms Coordinator's Report - Katie Hickenbottom

Stay informed and connected to the FOPTO with our new website, Facebook page and Instagram account. Text @5oakspto to 81010 to receive text messages with fundraising and meeting reminders. Donate at any time by going to www.fiveoakspto.org/donate!

Open Forum

Dr. Karen Perez-Da Silva introduced herself as a Five Oaks parent and our representative on the BSD School Board. She addressed the group in Spanish and English and expressed her support and enthusiasm. Luke Martin relayed he will lead the Culinary Club with plans to create a cookbook and cook in the FO student kitchen. He will submit a request for funds for this project next month.

The next FOPTO meeting will be held on Thursday, November 18th at 7:00pm via Zoom.

The meeting was adjourned by Kimberly at 8:05pm.

Minutes taken and submitted by Elizabeth Staly.