



## FIVE OAKS PTO MEETING MINUTES Thursday, March 17th, 2022 7:00pm - 8:00pm via Zoom

Those in attendance:

Board Members - Katie Hickenbottom, Kimberly Hawk, Elizabeth Staly, Rachel Woody

Staff - Kelly Laverne, Oday Vega Alvarez, Kristy Brady

Parents - Justin Wiles, Ashlee Richards, Jennifer Brinkerhoff, Dayane Abud

Call To Order - 7:01pm

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

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

### Principal's Report - Kelly Laverne

Staff very much appreciate the support provided by the PTO and other parents this year, including the recent Classified Staff Appreciation event.

Upon their return from Spring Break, students will participate in community building activities as a reset. This past week, students have been very accepting of peers who choose to continue or discontinue masking and no incidents of bullying were reported related to this change in policy. The third quarter will end on April 13th so teachers will be preparing grades.

Two events planned in April for families via Zoom will focus on mental health issues and substance abuse prevention. The dates are April 13th and 28th - more details will be released later.

The Seventh Grade Leadership Team went to elementary feeder schools to share information and experiences with 300+ incoming fifth grade students. The staff are working hard to prepare eighth graders for high school. The exact date for their BBQ at the end of the school year is yet to be decided but they would like parent volunteers to be involved this year.

Outdoor school for sixth graders will have to be limited to three days now in April due to staff shortages. It will not involve any overnight stays.

### President's Report - Katie Hickenbottom

Classified Staff Appreciation Event: March's event to celebrate classified staff included a beautiful rose bouquet from Beaverton Florists, sweet and savory treats, drinks and three dozen cupcakes donated by West Coast Sweets. The break room was decorated with a banner and messages of gratitude from parents and the staff's snack pantry and freezer were stocked with a variety of drinks and foods that included fruit, yogurt, energy bars, chips, breakfast sandwiches, spring rolls, taquitos, cheeses and wontons.

Spring Fundraiser: The PTO will kick off our big fundraiser on April 5th with a video during Advisory class using the FundGive platform that allows students to earn prizes. A catalog of purchasable items will be available or flat donations can be made. A prize will be given upon registration even if no money is earned and the grade that gets the most registrations will earn a separate reward. The fundraising goal is \$15,000 in two weeks.

Anti-Vaping Campaign Webinar: A group called Parents Against Youth Vaping E-Cigarettes will be holding an informational webinar for Oregon about the dangers of e-cigarettes on April 12th and will be providing a flier for the PTO to post. They are hopeful that a representative will be able to speak at our next meeting. Their website is [parentsagainstvaping.org](http://parentsagainstvaping.org).

### Vice President's Report - Kimberly Hawk for Jenny Sawyer

Eight orders were placed at Papa Murphy's this month for a total of \$80.40 raised for the PTO. This event is offered all day the second Friday of every month for the entirety of the school year. Order online for the Tanasbourne location on April 8th and enter code GIVE30.

Menchie's Frozen Yogurt will donate 20% of orders all day at the Tanasbourne location on Thursday, April 14th. Be sure to mention FOPTO when you order. The event will be advertised via ParentSquare to reach more families.

The GotSneakers fundraiser continues for the rest of the school year and we recently received a check for shoes collected. A bin is inside the front office at the school to collect new and/or used athletic shoes only. Check out the [website](#) for details.

Ongoing opportunities to donate include linking AmazonSmile and Fred Meyer/QFC Kroger Rewards cards to FOPTO, Box Top and Bottledrop. Collect cans and bottles and we'll pick them up and turn them in for you! Email [treasurer@fiveoakspto.org](mailto:treasurer@fiveoakspto.org) if interested.

Office staff are asking for donations of sweatpants, shorts and t-shirts for students who get muddy at recess and need a change of clothing.

### Treasurer's Report - Kimberly Hawk

February Financial Report: The ending bank balance was \$6503. \$401 was deposited in funds from Papa Murphy's and Panda Express, \$113 was received from Kroger Rewards and \$58 was deposited through a Benevity Donation specifically for the Staff Appreciation fund. \$250 went

towards reimbursing an RFF/Fall Grant and \$1179 was used from the Staff Appreciation Fund to reimburse parents who bought supplies for February's events.

#### Volunteer Coordinator's Report - Rachel Woody

Art Lit: We'll be offering Art Lit school-wide on May 5th and 6th during the double Science class block. The topic will be Ancient Greek Art. We need five volunteers for each day. No prior art experience or creative skills are needed as training and materials are provided.

Staff Appreciation Committee: We are planning to celebrate Staff Appreciation Week the first week of May in a big way! Parents who would like to contribute can join our committee and assist PTO leadership with fresh ideas - decorating, providing goodies, flowers, etc. - share your creative skills!

If you can help with either of these, message us at [volunteercoordinator@fiveoakspto.org](mailto:volunteercoordinator@fiveoakspto.org). 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 [fiveoakspto.org](http://fiveoakspto.org) under the Volunteer tab. Approved volunteers who recently joined Five Oaks will need to add it to see opportunities by messaging Johanna Shrout at [update\\_volunteer\\_locations@beaverton.k12.or.us](mailto:update_volunteer_locations@beaverton.k12.or.us).

#### Comms Coordinator's Report - Katie Hickenbottom

Stay informed and connected to us with our website, Facebook page and Instagram account. The website now has a Google Translate button! Text **@5oakspto to 81010** to receive text messages with fundraising and meeting reminders. Donate at any time by going to [www.fiveoakspto.org/donate](http://www.fiveoakspto.org/donate). Announcements on ParentSquare have been very effective.

#### Open Forum

Rachel pointed out that the link in the school newsletter to purchase a yearbook through the BSD Online Payment System does not offer "yearbook" as a selection. Kelly will talk with her assistant to fix this. The yearbook is largely student-driven with the help of Mr. Balzer and is produced through Dorian Studios. They are \$15 and can be purchased through early May. They will be available the last week of school.

Elizabeth, who has experience at the elementary school level, is collaborating with Mr. Morrison and Ms. Hains to develop a Green Team and Garden Club at Five Oaks for students and parents next year. She provided a list of activities, events and drives held at Bethany Elementary. Please email her at [secretary@fiveoakspto.org](mailto:secretary@fiveoakspto.org) to get involved!

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, April 21st at 7:00pm via Zoom.

The meeting was adjourned by Katie at 7:36pm.

Minutes taken and submitted by Elizabeth Staly.

