

PTO School Year Planning Meeting
8/21/2019

In Attendance:

Christine H., Shasta, Leigh, Melissa, Amanda, Sarah, Mary.

Next Meeting Date:

October 2, 2019 at 6:30 pm in the JFES library

2018/2019 Expenses:

Went over what our fundraisers made and what we spent for the 2017 school year and for the 2018 school year. Set a goal for \$2,000 for the 2019/2020 school year so that we will break even.

Fundraising/Community Events:

AMANDA brought up that sometimes teachers have no idea what fundraisers the PTO is doing. She is going to work to bring teachers into what we are doing. PTO will share in a letter to teachers to explain which fundraisers are coming up. In addition, **CHRISTINE H** is going to go to the school during All School Gathering and talk to the kids about our fundraising.

- Saxy Chef pies for Thanksgiving and Christmas are a yes.
- Decided on doing a catalog fundraiser in October and in January. Genevieve for October and Flower Power or High Mowing for January.
- Discussed doing a 5K in the Spring. Sponsorship could happen online, people could either sponsor a child per mile or a flat fee. Adults could also run. **SARAH** is going to check with a friend about the details. (*see note for Field Day about Color Run).
- Movie Night – **AMANDA** is going to check to see if the PTO can use SAU's license and/or the Davis Public Library's. Discussion about doing collaboration with the DPL for a monthly book/movie night tie-in. Side note: Peterborough has a huge outdoor movie screen. We might want to look into borrowing it if we want to do an outdoor movie night.
- Paint night – Look into holding it at Town Hall so that parents and children could participate. **MELISSA** is checking with her friend who hosts paint nights.
- Christmas Shopping Babysitting – December 14 from 1-6 pm at JFES. We will decide on a price per child at our October meeting so that notices can go out in November.
- Trunk or Treat – Civilized dispute between PTO members about having Trunk or Treat on Halloween or on the Friday before. **LEIGH** is going to check with the library as to which date they prefer. **SHASTA** is going to set up a FB poll asking for opinions on October 25th or October 31st. We also need to invite the Fire Department to be a part of it.
- Thanksgiving Feast – Possible date is November 22nd, with November 25th being the back up if a snow day messes us up again.
- Field Day – Discussion about doing Field Day earlier in June so we can have a rain date and so 5th grade graduation isn't at the same time (that made set up difficult last year).
side note Discussion about adding a Color Run to Field Day if we do not do the 5K.
- Food drive- do we want to do a food drive?

- - Clothing Drive - Epilepsy Foundation. If we, as a school and town, collect 200 trash bags full of clothing, sheets, towels, etc, Epilepsy Foundation will come pick them up. Discussed having someone go around town and collect the bags. We'd like to do two donations: one in the Fall and one in Spring. If we don't have enough bags in the Fall, **CHRISTINE H** said she could store them in her garage.
- Old Home Days 2020 – Lemonade stand? Block party? Things to think about.

Open House/Welcome Back Picnic:

CHRISTINE H is checking with Martha about if we can have a picnic the hour before Open House since now the Boys and Girls Club is doing the Before/After Care program. Will we be in their way? Do they have precedence over the playground, etc.

PTO will have a table with information at Open House. One thing we need to have is instructions on how to use the new app for Box Tops (how to download, how to scan receipts, etc).

Treasurer Position:

MELISSA expressed interest but wanted time to think about it. **CHRISTINE H** will continue as President and Treasurer.

Miscellaneous:

- PTO needs to send out a short letter explaining how Box Tops have changed to using an app instead of having to cut out Box Tops. Put in the letter that there will be explanations on how to use it at Open House.
- PTO Newsletter will go out on September 6, outlining some of the things we will be doing.
- **AMANDA** will speak to other teachers about what kind of enrichment program they think would work best this year.
- **MELISSA** will be looking into insurance policies for the PTO.
- **MELISSA** brought up that not all parents see the family activities on the DPL marquee and that it would be helpful for someone to post those events somewhere. **AMANDA** is a member of the Friends of the Davis Public Library and has graciously agreed to be our collaborator to make sure families are getting the news from the library.

PTO EVENTS CALENDAR

*subject to change

September Newsletter Clothing drive at the end of the month?	February Paint night S'mores on the lake (if we can get insurance)
October Genevieve Catalog Trunk or Treat	March Movie night?
November Saxy Chef pies Thanksgiving Feast Send out information about Christmas Babysitting	April Clothing drive towards the end of the month?
December Saxy Chef pies Christmas Babysitting	May 5K after Spring Break Teacher Appreciation
January Seeds catalog	June Field Day