

Overlook PTO Meeting Agenda

October 16, 2018

Welcome

Laura Ramsay and Meghan Biko, *Co-Presidents*

Meghan introduced the board members and thanked everyone for coming.

Principal's Report

Mr. Perlman/Ms. Daniels

Mr. Perlman thanked the PTO and Michele Smeal and the parent volunteers for the zoom event. Kids are excited about the prizes that they won. The Fall festival was fantastic, everyone had a great time. Everything ran smoothly as this was the 2nd year in a row that we had the event. The Halloween parade is on the 31st at 2pm. As far as helping the kids get ready, parents should coordinate with teachers and homeroom parents. To be in the classroom helping the kids get ready, parents must have their clearances. Clearances are not needed for parents who are just attending the parties. Mr. Perlman will have a list of everyone from the teachers of who will be allowed into the classrooms before the parties. National anti-bullying week is 11/5-11/9. There will be different themes for each day. School is closed 11/6 for Election Day.

Teacher/Staff Update

Ms. Early

Thanked PTO for the staff appreciation luncheon. All the teachers had a great time and enjoyed it.

Treasurer Report

Karin Quinn, *Treasurer*

Full financial report attached to minutes

Discussion

Recap/Ongoing

- Mum Sales- Sandy Jones said the sale went really well. The 6th grade sold 332 mums. The next fundraiser is next Saturday, October 27th, which is the Applebee's pancake breakfast from 8-10 am. 6th graders will serve the meal and it is always a fun event.
- 12/7 is movie night at the junior high school. You can drop off your kids for pizza and a movie. This event will be 5:30-8:30 pm in the little theater.
- Pretzel sales - Money is collected Tuesday for delivery Wednesday. If you don't want to have to remember to send in \$.50 every Tuesday, pre-sales will open again mid-year in December. This will be for delivery to start in January and continue through May.
- Staff Welcome Luncheon-We will be doing another one in the spring.

- Fall Festival - A lot of people volunteered and there was very positive feedback from everyone.
- Chick-Fil-A Fundraiser- No feedback yet as to how much was earned for the school. It was very well attended. This is the first one of a few Spirit Nights for this year. We are possibly doing chipotle and grub burger later on in the year. It is an easy way to make money for the school.
- Zoom for the Classroom - Michele Smeal gave an update. We are nearing the end of the fundraiser. The main event happened on Friday, 10/12. The kids are loving the prizes. There was a question from one of the parents about what the money from fundraiser was being used for. $\frac{1}{3}$ of the fundraiser money is going back to the school in the form of teacher grants, $\frac{2}{3}$ is going to the PTO to fund upcoming events. It was discussed that this was a fundraiser to promote healthy activities and also a fundraiser geared towards parents and family members who would rather just donate money towards the school instead of buying products. It was explained that this replaced the Race for Education that was done in previous years. Everyone still has until Friday, 10/19 to make donations.

Upcoming

- Bookfair 10/25 thru 11/2 with Reading Night on Thursday, 10/25 @ 6:30-8:30 PM. Book fair starts the same day as reading night. There is a play at Reading Night, the Brave Little Tailor, put on by Chatman Theatre Company, which comes highly recommended. There will also be read alouds with the teachers. Children can shop for books during their normal library time. We are always looking for volunteers to help with the book fair. We are also collecting coins this year. Each classroom will get a 2 liter bottle to fill with coins. If anyone has empty two liter bottles, please send them in to school with your children. Coins will be used to purchase books for that classroom. The classroom that raises the most money will get a special treat.
- Mixed Bag Catalog Fundraiser starts 10/22. This is a new fundraiser this year to replace Yankee Candle and Gertrude Hawk. The company offers different bags, wrapping paper, kitchen stuff, and gifts for the holidays. Orders will come in before Christmas.
- 6th Grade Applebee's Fundraiser – 10/27 @ 8 am – 10 am, as discussed in the 6th grade report above.
- Halloween Parade & Parties – 10/31 @ 2 pm
- Holiday Hollow – 11/26 – 11/29 (Set Up on 11/21)- This is a holiday shop offered to the kids where all gifts are \$1- \$5 dollars. There are gifts for everyone. The Tuesday and Wednesday before thanksgiving are set up days. The shop opens after thanksgiving and runs Monday-Thursday. Lots of volunteers are needed to make this a successful event

- PTO Meeting – 11/29 @ 7 pm (Note: there is no December PTO Meeting)
- 6th Grade Movie Night at AJHS – 12/7 @ 5:30-8:30 pm - junior high school, little theater as discussed in the 6th grade report above

Spirit Wear- Will be available online for sale all year long instead of just doing 2 bulk orders for the year. The orders will close the 15th and 30th of each month and will be delivered three weeks after the sale ends. We are offering three different styles in sweatshirts and t-shirts with different colors available. One is a cartoon-like owl which will most likely appeal to the younger kids, one is Overlook Elementary with the two OO's being the owl's eyes, and the third is Overlook in block letters. We will probably still do a bulk sale for field day.

Modell's Fundraiser- They approached us and offered 15% off for a month long shopping period. You can use the coupon on your phone or print it out. Sale starts black Friday and runs until 12/21. If we reach \$500 in total sales, Overlook gets 5% of the sale total. Even if we don't get to the \$500 goal, each family still gets 15% off on their order.

Zoom for the Classroom Slideshow- A video was shown of the day of the event, which included all grades and videos of the fun activities that they all got to compete in. Michele Smeal and Mr. Perlman said that everyone was having fun and there was a lot of great energy.

Questions/ Concerns/ Ideas

The dance chairperson brought up that the dance is on January 25th. She wants to send out a save the date as there is no PTO meeting in December. We can also discuss the dance at the November PTO meeting and we will have another meeting in early January.

Next Meeting: Thursday, November 29th 7:00PM in the Library

More details can be found at www.overlookproud.com