

November 28th, 2022 Meeting

1. Welcome
2. Board Reports
 - a. President
 - i. Benefit
 1. *Close to finalizing a location; Date is Saturday, March 11th*
 2. *Seeking a committee to head up auction items/sign up parties*
 - ii. Grant Cycle (Katie Jones is grant chair)
 1. *Grants open today*
 2. *The principals will send out the grant letter today. There is \$10,000 available to each school this year.*
 3. *Grant application cycle closes January 20th; exec board will review.*
 4. *Recommended grants will be brought to full PTA in February*
 - iii. Building partnership with teachers
 1. *PTA President asked teachers about joining the PTA and there was great response.*
 2. *Room parent coordinators are organizing a lunch for the teachers who joined*
 - b. VP- Room Parents:
 - i. *We are still doing snack sign up. Will be sent out via room parents.*
 - ii. *Winter parties will happen the week before winter break.*
 - c. VP- Community Engagement
 - i. *Focusing this year on having free, accessible events.*
 - ii. *Considering a public ice skate night; trying to plan an event every couple months during the school year.*
 - d. Treasurer
 - i. *Status Report- Collected money (\$2800) to support Holiday Helper program. Pollinator gardens planted in fall (\$180 spent). \$4565 spent to provide every student with a spiritwear shirt; consider doing it next year for incoming K and 3rd students.*
 - e. Membership-
 - i. *Membership in PTA ended up at 240, just 10 short of our goal.*
 - f. Holiday Helper
 - i. Winter Wear Due Tomorrow!
 1. *Families are picking up next Monday. We had 69 families this year. Everything going smoothly.*
 2. *Survey will be given out to families at a later date.*
 3. *Gelfand Fund gave vouchers for boots and snow pants.*
 4. *Consider flexibility with 2 hour drop off window next year.*
 - g. Fall Book Fair (fundraiser for PTA)
 - i. *Status Report- Net was somewhere between \$3500 and \$3900. Still waiting on a check from HumanKind to arrive.*
 - h. Character Counts
 - i. *Status Report- Met all of the CC goals.*
 - ii. *Kindergarten-4th can make posters; 5th-8th can make videos*
 - i. International Night- January 27th
 - i. *Suma Shah running it again this year; she will reach out to families who may want to participate soon.*
 - ii. *January 27th from 6-9pm at Pleasant Ridge*

3. Principal Comments

Erik Friedman (PR principal)- Pleasant Ridge will be having band/orchestra concerts and a choir concert this month. After winter break staff does benchmarking with students; 3rd-5th does NWEA testing. He is seeking help from parents to give attention to the PR garden (Catherine Gray and Dawn Hentze offered); several teachers interested as well. Looking at Feb/March to start planning, but need to consider possible construction conflicts next summer.

Stefanie Shefler (Lyon principal)- K-2 does Aimsweb for testing after winter break, Cogat for 2nd grade will be closer to spring. Huge thank you for Bingo night; was a huge success. Winter show is restarting this year, "A Kids Guide to Play". Tickets will be coming via email soon. Ticket will be tied to family's PowerSchool account.

4. Public Questions/ Comments?

Next meeting is an evening zoom on Wednesday, January 18th at 7:15pm. S'more will be used for communication about events between now and then.