

October PTA Meeting
10/19 at 7:15 p.m. on Zoom

Attendees: Jessica Pritzker, Stephanie Killian, Crosbie Lind, Stefanie Shefler, Eve Cooper, Jenny Fletcher, Erik Friedman, Dan Toy, Ashley Yosay, Alison Alden, Meade Whitaker, Nicole Lalich, Natalie Carson, Elizabeth Holland, Michelle Folkmann, Maria Stephens, Erin Bretts, Kate Carleton, Jen Powell, Caree Shtulman, Christina Fischer, Jori Swartz, Gretchen Olsen, Megan Kaminski

Agenda

1. Welcome
2. Board Reports
 - a. President
 - i. Benefit- We have a few volunteers from our Exec Board (Stephanie and Caree), if you'd like to help, please let us know. Jenny Fletcher (parent) would like to help as well.
 - ii. PTA does that? Book Fair, Benefit, Community Outreach, Teacher Appreciation, etc.
 - iii. Building partnership with teachers- focus on building community as well
 - iv. Directories A to Z- a member hub; not doing a paper directory this year
 - b. VP- Room Parents: Nothing to report; regarding Halloween party food, does not have to follow the healthy snack guidelines but needs to take into account any allergies; no parade at Pleasant Ridge
 - c. VP- Community Engagement

.*BINGO Night upcoming!* K-5 event at Lyon School on Thursday 11/10 from 6-7pm. Number of rounds based on timing. Bigger prizes for every bingo winner. Not a drop off event and volunteers will be needed. Communication will go out to families soon. If we reach capacity we can use a waitlist.

d. Treasurer

.Status Report- Eve reported we have 234 families registered with the PTA. Have asked teachers to join as well. Lunches for teachers for conferences was main expense so far.

i.Membership- *deadline of November 1st to join*

ii.How close are we to our membership goal- *We are up to 231 families, we have a goal of 250 families*

iii.Question asked about how many families/teachers we have at both schools; Erik/Stephanie will report back

e. Holiday Helper

.What is still needed- *Winter wear due ??*.

i.Michelle reported Gelfand Foundation is partnering with Holiday Helper program this year

1. Boots/snow pants will be provided by Gelfand
2. Families are doing coats, hats, and gloves portion
3. 69 families are being sponsored this year
4. Grocery store preference now listed on request sheet
5. Goal is to make the process digital at some point

f. Fall Book Fair (fundraiser for PTA)

.Status Report- Ashley reported they are excited for in person book fair. Principal reading at 5, pizza starting at 5:30, fair runs until 7:30pm. Friday afternoon 3:30-6:30 with popcorn and Saturday 9-12 with misericordia sweet truck.

g. Character Counts

.How are we doing- *Food Drive happening now*; bus was at Lyon today and looked full of items
i.*Biggest need items are canned proteins, tuna, beans, pasta*

3. Principal Comments -

. Erik Friedman: Thanks to the PTA for lunch provided during PT Conferences. We are having a great start to the school year; this year feels like a return to pre pandemic routines. Looking forward to Halloween; may be a long week with Halloween on a Monday this year. Thanks to Holiday Helper program; great to see the kids in their new outerwear.

a. Stefanie Shefler: Great to see so many in attendance. It was great to see parents at school for conferences. Excited for first Halloween parade in awhile; will be outdoor with parents if weather cooperates. If weather is poor, will be a student only parade. Parade may start a little after 2pm. Thank you to all of the book fair planning.

b. Attendee questions- Alison Alden asked about online PTA directory on lyonprpta website, it still lists 2021-2022? Jessica will look into it. Jenny Fletcher asked about PTA dues; is it yearly and how do we pay? Go to Lyonprpta.org and click Join PTA, one fee per household per year. Asked if fall book fair benefitted the PTA; yes it is a fundraiser.