

PTO Meeting January 9, 2018

Participants: Amy Soumar, Tara Ravage, Shayla Bell, Meagan Roskos, Jason Lukehart, Annie Darley, Sofia Villafuerte, Kathy Dull, Katie Tomlinson, Kate Haarvei, Stephanie Pinzari, Mary Furman, Munirah Curtis, Jessica Daly, Destinie Brannigan, Scott Webb, London Black, Stephanie Thomas, Elizabeth Cruz, Laura Temple Wesley, Christine Diedrich, Brigitte Brostrom, Tammy Adkins, Kristyna Ryan

Welcome and Introductions

November 2017 Meeting Minutes:

Minutes Approved

Principal Report:

Principal not present. Report sent by email and read - 5 Essentials Survey, Principal search and upcoming coffee

Treasurers Report:

Treasurer not present, no report to present.

Trivia Night:

80-90% Sold out. Need a few more volunteers. Discussed live auction. Have two items/experiences (Grand Geneva/Chuan Spa) that may be available – need specific details - would have a cost to cover, but no risk to us if not bought at auction. Agree no harm to try, maybe do one.

Whittier Wear:

Going to use new company – Custom Ink. You choose a two week window and buy online. Had samples at Trivia Night, come in larger range of sizes. Discussed logo and timing of sales window. Decided to use logo that was on recent samples and possibly change in the future. Agreed to go ahead with a sales period soon and can do again as many times as we like.

Field Trip Support:

Annie Darley asked about PTO support for students that need assistance with field trip costs. There was a discussion of what this would look like, how we would identify

students, how we would present the offer to families etc. No decisions were made, conversation is ongoing.

Refugee Project:

Stephanie Thomas outlined Whittier Refugee Welcome Project 2018 Activities including “The Good Lie” movie screening, an all school assembly and an all school fundraising event.

Grants:

Request from Juliette Friel (Early Childhood) for tickets for a production of Cat in the Hat in River Forest. Total: \$494. Approved

Request from 4th grade teachers for copies of “What is the Constitution” for each student. Open Table in Oak Park can get it for \$5.00/copy – need to see if available through Scholastic Dollars. Approved

WISE:

Discussed need for volunteers, specifically Wednesdays (every session) and possible solutions – offer WISE discount for volunteers, pay for help, get volunteers from area colleges etc.

Next meeting February 6, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kate Haarvei