

Family Center PTO Meeting December 13, 2023

Attendees

- Deanna Palagallo (President)
- McKenzie Walter (Secretary)
- Haozheng Jiang (Treasurer)
- Amy Perry (Director)
- Michelle Snyder
- Julie Gullickson
- Lauren Hamburg
- Stephanie Goette
- Helen Human
- Allison Cayne
- Shelby Brett
- Stefanie Mott

Welcome (Deanna Palagallo)

- Stacy Siwak unable to attend for BOE Update
- Email with any questions, stacysiwak@claytonschools.net

Fundraising (Shelby Brett)

- Shopping event at Sweet Boutique raised \$238
- Spring Give Back event at Evereve (Galleria) on March 7
 - Will go all day, 15% of sales to PTO
 - Shop all day, with 1 hour of private shopping and drinks and food from 7-8pm
- Spirit Wear (Stefanie Mott)
 - Sent designs to Luke (Chief Comm)
 - Ideas for toddlers, mugs, etc.
 - Discussed what company we want to use to sell from (print minimum) or buy in bulk?
 - Percent of proceeds get donated back
 - Talked about adding option for spirit wear with registration paperwork
 - Open ordering at end of this year?
 - Design ideas to be sent to Stefanie
- Spring Fundraiser (Stefanie Mott)
 - Talking with Woman's Exchange
 - Parents Night Out (April / May?), silent auction - trying to get items for auction in early new year, consignment sale also discussed - resale clothes / toys?

Outreach (Lauren Hamburg)

- Thank you for diaper drive donations - \$285 monetary donations
- Oatmeal Drive -looking at February 26 - March 1
- Bring in packets of oatmeal for Operation Food Search
- Started Oatmeal Drive to shop with kids and involve them with giving
- Deanna asked if maybe we should set a goal for packets?
- Direct link for donations for Operation Food Search will be provided

Book Fair (Alli Cayne)

- Teachers got all books from their wishlist
- \$2,777 in store, \$340 online, \$736 was 20% back, \$40 for cookies

- Open to suggestions for next year
- Sunday morning was better attended than Saturday afternoon
- Left Bank Books offered to bring book fair to school
- Discussed 2 book fairs per year and if people would attend

Teacher Appreciation (Stephanie Goette and Shelby Brett)

- Next Wednesday (12/20) - Tom's Traveling Coffee Truck will be coming to school for teachers
- Will replenish coffee in break room
- January treat right after break

Class Pictures (Jen Killoren)

- Pictures went out yesterday (12/12)
- Debbie's pictures will be emailed to Debbie and printed for her
- Classroom pictures are being taken now - waiting on 1 class
 - \$10 per picture for 5x7

Playground (Deanna Palagallo)

- Money donated for playground years ago - \$11,000 currently
- Sent survey last week to get feedback from parents about how to use money
- Next month we will vote on budget change - must be a school wide vote for budget change
- Teachers and parents ideas will be considered

Treasurer's Report (Haozheng Jiang)

- Scholarships
 - Want to get family approved for \$140 / month - Jan, Feb, Mar and Apr
 - This family had a circumstance change and now qualify for \$560 total
 - \$11,004.09 designated for playground
 - \$55,024.30 funds available in account at beginning of year
 - \$40,810.21 will be left at end of year
 - We have been encouraged to spend funds
 - Trying to get dollar amount down, have flexibility this year
 - Deanna believes we should use funds for scholarships
 - Stefanie Mott motions, Stephanie Goette seconds to vote on scholarships
 - All voted in favor, motion passes

Director's Report (Amy Perry)

- November was a busy month
- Book fair very successful, all wishlists fulfilled
- Flashlight walk - biggest group ever
- Vehicle Fair very successful
- Enrollment survey went out - want to know interest / needs of community
- Goal - Mid January enrollment for current families; February for new families

New Business (Deanna Palagallo)

- None

Closing (Deanna Palagallo)

- Potential calendar of events - updated soon will be posted to blogs and maybe sent in

- emails from Bridget
- Next meeting 1/17