

PTO MEETING NOTES 11/13/19

Recap Boon Fundraiser

- Made \$3,300
- Restructure PTO Fundraiser next year
- Kids are getting prizes in their bags. If child/parent does not want the prizes can donate in the office

Recap of Teacher Prize Box Donations

- Prize box donations to teachers were handed out

Peacebuilder Shirts (Thank you Beth Crosby & Allison Carey)

- Update on ordered for grade 1
- Delivery - They are here. Beth picked them up and Allison will disburse them on Thursday, Nov. 14 throughout the school day.

Financial Report - SEE orange paper from Melissa for specifics

deposit \$137 (raffle basket and misc. \$1360 for PeaceBuilder shirts (not counted in the balance)

\$9374 - current balance

\$2600 - kiln was purchased for the Art Room (through Art Night funds and Donors Choose donations).

\$74 on ink

Fund Request

- One bus to Austin Farm 2nd grade field trip in October = \$780
- CSS shirts - will discuss and vote on further at the next PTO meeting

Proposed Plan for Staff Funding: up to \$4000 to spend, put out request to proposals

Wouldn't fund - GC, computers, furniture

Round 1 Request for Proposals 2019-20

The Cold Spring Swift River Parent Teacher Organization invites all teachers to apply for funding. Based on fall fundraising successes, we are able to allocate up to \$4,000 to be distributed for fiscal year 2020. Each request will be reviewed individually and voted upon by the executive board of the PTO. The Board will fund costs for printing photos, project supplies, and classroom supplies. For this round of funding, we will not be supporting the purchases of gift certificates, furniture items over \$50, personal use items, mileage, or computers/tablets. Itemized receipts are needed for reimbursement. Our Treasurer may purchase items online directly if you include a link with your request.

The priority funding deadline will be January 10, 2020 (is that right?). All requests received by that date will be reviewed shortly after that deadline. Request will be accepted on a rolling basis after that date, but funding is not guaranteed.

Things to put on webform:

Date

First Name

Last Name

Your Title

Amount Requested

Detailed description of request (what you need and why you need it)

Link for item (if applicable)

Would fund -

Hope is to fund everything that comes through (Ex. I would like a \$200 budget for Sturbridge Rotations. It doesn't have to be exact. Could submit receipts and reimburse the cost.

- If a teacher can't get funding, they can PTO can help out
- Pilot for this year and adjust budget for next year
- PTO will write something up and send it out to lead teachers to pass along
- Try to project money for the year so it can be used throughout the year
- Timeline for requests - Jan 10 or sooner
- Next PTO meeting to discuss this is January 15

Upcoming Events/Fundraisers:

- PTO Movie Night (Melissa Santos & Allison Carey, tentatively Friday, Dec 6th) A side common @ SRE 6-8pm
 - Showing Toy Story 4 (rated G)
 - Will be water bottles and popcorn available for sale \$.50 (Cinemark donates the popcorn)
 - Melissa will contact the rec dept. about borrowing the big jug to use for water. Also, see Stop and Shop Manager about donating water or we could wait to use this "ask" for teacher appreciation week
 - Free event for families
 - Bring blankets, sleeping bags to lay/sit on
- Walk-a-thon (Vinnie Mazzaferro?)
Need volunteers
- Apparel Fundraiser Timeline and Volunteer roles (Karen Miller)
Belchertown T-shirts, hoodies, long sleeve shirts, quarter zip, Trucker hats, hats with pom-pom,
March 5-20 is when "store" is open to purchase apparel
Volunteers needed to put it online and in the community (Checkers, library, Grapevine, Antonios, paper, schools...)
April 16th (same night as PTO meeting) we will need teacher volunteers to pass out purchased apparel (Lyn & Jen H. will help out)
- Art Night (Thursday, March 12th, 2020; SRE 5:30-6:30, CSS 6:00-7:00)

Volunteers needed

- Penny Wars??
Late Winter/Spring Fundraiser
Talk with teachers about incentive (movie,??)
- Restock Contest - in discussion, but on for Jan 2020. We may restructure in 2020-2021 school year and change time of year to Stock Up Contest b/c of back to school shopping and deals. (Possible ideas: asking “needs” by grade level, shopping by teachers, maybe leave “needs” outside of the classroom).

Social Media/Communications Update

- Wish lists - had the second highest views/clicks. Teachers names generate the most posts on FB.
- Grade 3 Veteran’s Show - had the most views

Fresh Air Program Request

- Children from NYC looking for host families for next summer. Age range from 6-18 years

Open Positions

- Treasurer
- Co-President

Thoughts/Questions/Concerns

- Has anyone ever done a family swim night? Liability?
- Usually Family Fun Night is free
- Stop and Shop is looking to donate. If Stop and Shop donates water, we can maybe not charge