

# Gower PTO September Meeting Minutes

## September 12, 2018

- Chairpersons- All have been contacted
- Review of Events
  - School Supplies- Dina
    - Went smoothly, 2 parents with kids handled all supplies
    - A few Trapper Keepers arrived a week or two later
    - Nice profit from the supply order
  - Back to School Bash/ Meet-N-Greet
    - Could be combined into one 2 hour event
    - Do it from 4:30-7 with 4:30-6:30 being MNG & 5-7 being BSB
  - BooHoo/Yahoo Breakfast
    - Gets better each year
    - Continue next year
  - Teacher Institute Breakfast
    - Went well
    - Need less bagels next year
  - Gift Checkbooks
    - Going slow
    - Currently sold 100 of our 350
- Upcoming Events
  - Chipotle Night 10/1
  - MOD Night 11/1 (All Day/ so if teachers want food they can order during the school day)
  - 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Field Trip
    - Have 12 plus students signed up
  - Foundation Dance Classes
    - Being held in January/February this year
    - For 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders
    - Deposit paid
  - Spirit Wear
    - Maybe October 15-26th
    - Design presented
    - Hats would need to be bought in bulk from a different vendor
  - BoxTops
    - Jen Fournier will chair
    - Will have sheets & incentives
    - Community members bring them to school

- Halloween Parties
  - Drawing is done
  - Parents will be notified this week
  - Food lists from last year will be used
  - Rose Marth is in charge
  - Party is 10:30 – 11:30
  - Order a snack through the PTO or school
  - Same treat for every student
  - Parade at 10 & party right after
- Pumpkin Fest
  - Elizabeth Shaker in charge
  - Scheduled for 10/26
  - Need peanut free caramel apples
  - Toys- no candy will be given out
- Treasurer
  - Budget
    - Teacher wish list- we have not yet written a check and submitted to Vesna
    - Has a list of what was paid for PTO dues & parties and need final confirmation and check
    - Previous year there was \$3,000 of teacher wish lists not spent
    - Need to do reconciliation of payments received on-line
    - Whole Foods contacted PTO today and they will potentially allow us another fundraiser day- perhaps on 10/18
- School Representative's Report
  - Teacher Representative- Mrs. Bjork
    - She will collect teacher's PTO dues
    - Dues are \$12 for teachers, same as parents
    - Book, ukulele, drum, knitting clubs have started
    - There is a staff knitting club
  - Principals
    - Tracey Murphy
      - 4 full scholarships for White Pines and 1 partial
      - 1 request for an 8<sup>th</sup> grade scholarship for Irons Oaks on 9/21
      - A parent offered a scholarship for one student
      - Pizza lunch for 9/27
      - Athletic teams up and running
      - Picture day is 9/13
      - Brooke- going to rotate where we get fundraiser lunches/ice cream
    - Gina Rodewald

- Teacher Representatives
  - Ann Bjork
    - Fun Fair Thank yous
    - Thankful for supporting Read Across America
    - Seussical the Musical- 1<sup>st</sup> Grade
    - Charlotte's Web was done by 2<sup>nd</sup> grade
    - Wax Museum coming up on 3/21
    - Career Fair was done by 4<sup>th</sup> grade