

Sandwich Elementary PTA- Building a Community for our Families.

Mission Statement: Sandwich Elementary PTA strives to make every child's potential a reality by engaging and empowering families and communities to advocate for all children.

Note: Membership<u>signup here.</u>

Tuesday, December 12, 2023 General Membership Meeting 6:00 pm Forestdale Library & Zoom Option

Welcome/Introductions - Introductions of all board members and administration.

- Approve November Meeting Minutes
- Principal/Vice Principal Report
- Forestdale
- Oak Ridge
 - Grant Requests Kendall O'Brien
 - Cheryl Eastman, Grade 1 requesting an additional \$120 for their Heritage field trip. (Total cost \$1620)
 - Christine DeAngelis, Grade 2 requesting \$1500 to cover some or all of the costs associated with transporting the grade 2 students to Scorton Creek on or about May 27-29. The bus transportation costs are high and we would like to help our families provide this great experience for all 2nd graders.
 - Christine DeAngelis, Grade 2 requesting \$225 for costs of materials for crafts made and sold by students as part of the social studies economics unit. The proceeds are donated to Wellfleet

Audubon as a concluding activity to our raising Diamondback Terrapins with the Dept. of Natural Resources Head Start program.

- Sue Maciel, Math Coach OR is requesting up to \$400 (\$357 w/o tax) for supplies to make counting and rounding beads. Each math teacher will get a set.
- Christine Skirvan, Grade 5 is requesting \$3000 for their field trip to New Bedford Whaling museum. Total cost is \$4211.12 (with bus and ticket) each student will pay \$6.51.
- Beth Hickson, Kindergarten is requesting \$3000 for math and literacy materials to enhance students' learning. A list of items has been made on Amazon and Lakeshore.
- Arthur Guerra, Grade 4 is requesting \$3000 to lower the cost of a field trip to Mass Audubon Long Pasture Wildlife Sanctuary in Barnstable, MA. This field trip will allow our students to see the evidence of erosion and weathering in a real life model.
- Matt McRae, FD Gym is requesting \$2857 for funds to cover the cost of the inflatable Carnival portion of our yearly Field Day Event.
- Lauren Trembloy, PreK & SEL is requesting \$600 for their end of year celebration with the Toe Jam Puppet band.
- Communications Rebecca Westgate
 - Promote Minted, Mabels Labels
 - Start creating winter newsletter
- Fundraisers Antonia Solitro & Jackie O'Connor
 - Fun Run 2024 -
 - looking for subcommittee to plan these new fun events, more information to come!
 - Celebration Sign
 - We are going to start this in Jan 2024. Sign up form will be coming out soon. We're also looking into digital sign boards for both schools

• Ongoing efforts:

- Minted social blast leading up to holidays 10% discount for consumer
- Bay State Textiles
- Mabels Labels social blast

\circ Ideas for this year

- Trivia Night
 - Have contacted DJ Cubey at Smith Family for a Spring weekday night (\$350-\$450 depending on day of the week) split with SF?
- Taste of the Town
- Lego club
 - Maybe on the tail end of lego competition? Between Feb and April break. Need facilitators (2-3). Club will run between February and April breaks. Possible Wednesday date for 1 hour?
- Lego competition targeting April
 - Should start reaching out for committee
- Derby Party (adults) May for the Derby, parents only fundraiser
- No fuss fundraiser possibly for spring 2025
- Discussion regarding an upcoming after school Pokemon card trading club at Forestdale. Will need 2-3 Facilitators.

- Events Valerie McIntyre and Kathryn Walden
 - Sugarplum recap
 - Teachers Lounge
 - Requesting \$300 for an initial stock and possible hot cocoa/coffee bar (\$150 each school)
 - Wish Lists have been created and posted

Subcommittee- email chain has been started with parents that would like to help and what roles they are willing to take

Cultural Events - Sara Aboutian

• Events Scheduled:

FORESTDALE:

4 Shows, one/grade level including preschool 5/24- Peter Reynolds 2:15-3pm \$1,000

OAK RIDGE:

RHSD will return in spring to have more intimate experience with 5th grade as an ongoing partnership. After school program is also a possibility.

Cultural/Diversity Fair in Spring

Details to be set

- Membership Jenny MacFaden
- Treasurer's Report Cara Foley

Monthly Financial Report

Meeting Schedule:

- January 9 6pm Forestdale
- February 13 6pm Oak Ridge
- March 12 4pm Forestdale
- April 9 6pm Oak Ridge
- May 14 6pm Forestdale
- June 4 6pm Oak Ridge

Questions/Comments -

Meg Keegan, Parent owner of Mobile Mac Doctors, Cape Cod offered to host an internet safety/ parental control workshop for parents of Forestdale and Oak Ridge. ???

Adjourn.

Your 2023/2024 Sandwich Elementary PTA Board

Co-Presidents: Lizz Bonino & Cyndi Rotondi Treasurer: Cara Foley Fundraising: Antonia Solitro & Jackie O'Connor Events: Valerie McIntyre & Kathryn Walden Secretary: Melissa Shevory Grants: Kendall O'Brien Communications: Rebecca Westgate Accounts Payable: Kate Bizorik Cultural Events: Sara Aboutian Membership: Jenny MacFaden