

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 signup here.

Tuesday, January 10, 2023

General Membership Meeting

6:00pm Forestdale Library

- Welcome/Introductions Introductions of all board members and administration.
- Approve last month's meeting minutes. Daisy motioned to approve last month meeting minutes, seconded. Motion approved.
- Principal/Vice Principal Report

Forestdale - Forestdale update provided by Sarah Murray. Water filtration installed in kindergarten hallway. In-service for staff on 1/13, no school for students. No school on 1/16 for observation of MLK holiday.

Oak Ridge - Oak Ridge update provided by Anna Dunphy. Sandwich Soul and band performed. The Oak Ridge band performed at the Council of Aging. 1/23 kick off Great Kindness Challenge week with the Community Kindness tunnel on 1/27. On 2/16 the First Annual Neon Glow Social for the 5th and 6th graders will take place. New gaming club has had great popularity and there will be more opportunities to follow.

3. Grant Requests - Kendall O'Brien

 Kindergarten, Beth Hickson, up to \$1500 for classroom materials (Hands on materials for purposeful play, Supplies to support the new ARC literacy program) Cara motioned to approve using scholastic dollars, seconded. Motion approved.

- Grade 1, Melanie Heller is requesting \$600 for a Zoologist and planting supplies Melissa motioned to approve \$700 for zoologist and planting supplies, seconded. Motion approved.
- Grade 4, Sonya D'Angelo Chagnon requesting \$500 Daisy motioned to approve \$500 additional dollars for 4th grade field trip, seconded. Motion Approved.
- The Grade 2 team would like to offer our kiddos an experience with a published author of nonfiction. We have been immersed in nonfiction structures, text features etc and have begun to write nonfiction books. We think it would be a great extension of our learning to meet and ask questions of a published author to discuss the writing process of nonfiction. We have reached out to a local Massachusetts author, Michelle Cusolito. She has written 2 books related to diving expeditions at Woods Hole. Her fee to come to Forestdale is \$1200. This includes 3 presentations (about 60 kids per presentation) and lunch with a small group of students. Melissa motioned to approve \$1200 for author to visit Forestdale, seconded. Motion approved.
- Grade 6, Sue Maciel, for curriculum supplies for Math, Science and ELA Daisy motioned to approve \$600 for curriculum supplies, seconded. Motion approved.

4. Communications - Rebecca Westgate

- Domaine Updated for 2023
- Lego Club volunteer outreach sent on FB, no response for volunteers yet No volunteers as of yet.

5. Events - Daisy Lemoi and Angela Klida

- Spring Book Fair
 - Oak Ridge 3/23 & 3/24
 - Forestdale 4/27 & 4/28
 - Ice cream social 4/28 @ Forestdale.

6. Fundraisers - Antonia Solitro, Jackie O'Connor, Kate Bizorik

Taste of the Town week of February Vacation. Restaurants currently being secured for the fundraiser. Solid progress being made. Online teaser to be created showcasing event.

Basket Raffle:

- Scheduled for Thursday March 16th at the High School
 - All baskets should be completed a week prior, March 9th (so team can take pics to upload for online option, write out tickets for those that chose to order online so they're ready for the 16th)
 - Themes will be distributed to classrooms
 - Tickets will be sold prior to and at the event
 - Ice cream social in cafeteria
 - Attempt to set up an online option

Lego Club

Discussed bringing it back to Forestdale as afterschool offering in Spring

- Need to see if anyone interested in running program for PTA
 - Heather Walsh (rec) willing mentor/share ideas
- Need to decide if it's a "free for all" or "teaching" program
- How much to charge, what day/time, how many weeks?
- Winter gear (hats, sweatshirts, long sleeve shirts)
 - Will order winter hats (\$8.50 beanies, \$15 hats 20 each)
 - WIII be sold at Basket Raffle
- Trivia Night in the Spring
 - Chatted briefly with Chris Wilson from the Seal about doing one on a Wed night
 - Possibly last two weeks in April
- Ongoing efforts:
 - Minted \$27 as of Dec 11
 - Amazon Smile
 - Bay State Textiles
 - Mables Labels
- 7. Membership Felicity Young

Two new members this month.

8. Treasurer's Report - Cara Foley See Attached

Items of Note:

- Fall Book Fair Net Profit: \$5,967.07
- Sugar Plum Fairy Net Profit ~\$600
- Forestdale Cultural Events paid in full; Pending invoices for Oak Ridge events
- 9. Cultural Events Alycia York

Events Scheduled:

FORESTDALE:

- Wacky Science 3 shows (\$2390) 9:40am/10:40am/11:40am Feb 17
- Math Magical 2 shows (\$2195) 9:40am/10:40am Apr 7
- **BMX** 3 shows (hopefully outside, Gym as a backup plan) (\$3990) 9:40am/10:40am/11:40am June 7

OAK RIDGE:

- **Bart Weismann**: 3/29, I believe that is musical event b/c I have set that up with Mr. Williams @ OR the music teacher. No cost for the PTA.

- Chiaro Vento performance: 3/31. Band Booster is going to cover \$500 and PTA \$1000.
- Substantial budget remains.

10. Questions/Comments -

Adjourn. 6:52pm

Next Meeting: February 14, 2023

Remaining Meeting Dates:

2/14/23 3/14/23 4/11/23 5/9/23 6/13/23

Your 2022/23 Sandwich Elementary PTA Board

Lizz Bonino & Sara Aboutian: Co-Presidents

Cara Foley: Treasurer

Antonia Solitro, Jackie O'Connor, Kate Bizorik: Fundraising

Angela Klida & Daisy Lemoi: Events

Melissa Shevory: Secretary

Rebecca Westgate: Communications Angela Stetson: Accounts Payable

Felicity Young: Membership Alycia York: Cultural Events

Kendall O'Brien: Grants