

WTS PTO Meeting Notes

October 8, 2019

1. Present: Edie Prescott, Erin Lambert, Rex Jarrell, Alyssa Dubin, Donna LB, Susan Littlefield, Moira Silva, Heather Dyas-Fried, Amelia Smith, Myles Goodwin
2. Costume Swap: costumes needed!! Sign-up genius coming for volunteers. Moira and Susan have been trying to work on this and will keep at it.
3. Room parent communication: We are all set with room parents! Now, how can we get parent emails? This is coming slowly, along with registration, Donna explained. For now, room parents can email homeroom teachers.
Moira to speak with Jamie---give a quick room parent orientation. Offer 2 dates
4. SAC: all candidates are welcome at the October meeting. Vote will be at the end of the month. Current SAC Goals include: 1. Communication & community, 2. Special education—meeting the needs of all learners. 3. Health & Wellness- after school funding. The election will be after the October SAC meeting.
5. In-house Strategy Suggestion: Susan suggested the PTO get more proactive with planning events, like regular communication with all parents about what's happening the following month.
6. Polar Bear Plunge & 5 K Run on January 1: Email Erin to attend meeting in October
7. Fundraisers: Alyssa to look over bowling receipts to decide on a repeat. Donna to have WTS call restaurants for Dine to Donate. Moira will ask State Rd. Amelia will set up an Amazon smile account. We hope to discuss a School clothing drive and more options at a future meeting.
8. Rex will work with Donna on an idea for banking that would make it feel more equitable for low-income families.
9. Upcoming event: PTO to possibly sponsor parent night and to invite SAC member to give 10-15 talk about the SAC. Ideas for Parent night are J. Fitzgerald. Alyssa connected with Kim Darcy of MVCS and there may be an opportunity for this in Nov. All interested in being part of this event planning team, contact Erin.
9. Erin will attempt to get a leader for all upcoming PTO events.
10. Moira will try to fill the bulletin board space with some info and photos.
10. Next meeting: November 12

What do our 2019-2020 projects include?

September: Back to School coffee, Back to School BBQ,

October: Dine to Donate & Halloween social & costume swap

November: assist Jenny D with community lunch, host potential harvest dinner

December: Polar Plunge & 5K

January: co-host zero waste movie night

February: bowling fundraiser

March: potential parent talk on sustainable living

April: ice cream social

May: Teacher Appreciation Week

June: Games Day fruit & popsicles in the park

POSSIBLE PARTNERSHIP WITH REBECCA SOLWAY'S ENGINEERING NIGHT AND/OR
POSSIBLE PARENT NIGHT WITH A SPEAKER OR MOVIE