
Sandyston-Walpack PTO

January 2023

- Welcome
 - Start at 7:03pm- seconded by Amanda Newton.
- Approval of meeting minutes sept-dec.
 - Seconded by Kristen G.
 - These minutes and agendas will be posted to the PTO website so anyone can access them and see what's going on with the PTO.
- President Update
 - Holiday Break was nice, we hoped everyone enjoyed theirs.
 - We received a lot of donations for the PTO closet and it was organized and put away by Rachel, Amanda and Jen. Thank you again to everyone who has donated so far.
 - An email has gone out to the teachers from the class parents to see if they are in need of any supplies.
 - Mrs. Yanecko reached out to let us know that before covid a family donated 6 microscopes and unfortunately the batteries have died and they are down to 2. Looking into us possibly replacing them. Also, vinegar might be able to clean them up and get them working again or just replace certain parts.
 - Ms. Misyak takes donations at the beginning of the year, especially allergy friendly ones. She's going to let us know what she is running low on.
 - This friday is BINGO NIGHT! Thank you again to HGS for sponsoring it. The families at SWS really look forward to this event. We will have baked goods, pizza and drinks for sale.
- Vice President Update
 - Stephanie Fryer is unable to attend, and will give an update at the next meeting.
- Treasurer Update
 - Balance is \$14,559.82
 - Our second checking account for raffles is kept separate. \$1,957.69, this is to show the state that any proceeds made from raffles goes directly back into the school.
 - Gertrude Hawk was \$3,333.33
 - School store made \$584.00
 - Holiday Shoppe made \$1,952.00
 - Cookie walk \$391.22
 - Random Donations of \$48.00
 - Mr. Coco \$100, thank you for your generous donation!
 - They've never seen the PTO gain so much throughout a small time in the first half of the school year. This is amazing! Great job to everyone.

- Principal/Super Update
 - Unable to attend, will give an update at the next meeting.
- Social Media Update
 - We are still gaining followers and getting more interaction on facebook and instagram.
 - Our website seems to be getting more views. Please encourage everyone to check it out and give back any feedback. The website has everything PTO all in one place.
 - Tee Performance Indoor Golf really wants to work with us! We are in contact with them about hosting an event. SWING & SPEND, PUT FOR THE PTO!
- Holiday Shoppe
 - Huge success. We had to go back and buy more that afternoon.
 - Note for next year to plan to purchase \$1,000.00 worth of items in hopes of not having to run back out. The after school session was not very popular - skip that next year
- School store
 - February 10th
 - Looking for volunteers
 - We sold out of almost everything so we will need to place another order.
- Winter Raffle
 - Was successful but if we do it again next year we would like to get it out before Thanksgiving. Too close to Christmas this year.
- Cookie Walk
 - It was fun!
 - We think the weather had to do with a lower attendance. There were a lot of cookies leftover. We boxed them and sent to Ms. Misyak and then left a tray of cookies in the teachers lounge.
- Chili Cook Off
 - Proposed budget of \$500
 - Brought to Vote by Rachel Weiss, seconded by Amanda Newton. Chili cook off is a GO!
- Bingo Night
 - 2 more! One is this coming Friday. We hope to have good attendance.
- Board & Brush night out
 - January 28th
 - Looking forward to a night out!
 - Would like to do something local though.
 - Amanda needs to reach out to Lisa Hess to see if we can do a painting event with the kids. Paint Tyler?
- Dine to Donate
 - Was wanting to bring a dine to donate soon? If anyone has any ideas!
 - Lunch at HGS?
 - Flatbrook Tap House
 - Riviera Maya

- Open Forum
 - Yearbook boosters, Jen Jones has been really trying to get yearbook boosters. It's very hard to upload onto the website, it's not very user friendly. Jen will follow up with the businesses that said yes.
 - Blue Mountain Day Camp
 - Ayers
 - Golf
 - Scottys Automotive
 - Tanzola Landscaping
 - Sandyston Deli & Bagel
 - Jaycees Hot dogs
 - Hidden Acres
 - Walpack Inn
 - Fresh Pickins
 - Leppert Group
 - Flatbrook Tap House
 - Valleybrook veterinary
 - Firehouse Bagels
 - Grooming
 - Pampered Princess
 - NJ State Fair
 - Hot lunches, Amanda Newton & Nina Vassallo are going to discuss this. Working with HGS to provide hot lunch to SWS. Create a set menu, parents can order online. Can pay directly on the website then HGS will cut a piece of proceeds to SWS PTO. Possibly create a month menu?
 - Science fair is coming up, possibly reaching out to robotics teams at high school to see if they want to do a demonstration to entertain the kids while judging is happening.
 - We have one more assembly coming up, Rachel and Kristen are on the assembly committee and will finalize that.
 - Gifts for the 6t grade class? Discuss that
 - Use PTO shed for field day and end of year celebration. Liven it up a little!
 - PTO shed door is being discussed by BOE.
 - Mother's day flower sale? What are we going to do with that?
 - Kick off to Summer Raffle
 - These gift cards will be donated not purchased.
 - Mental note to move timeline for raffles earlier, filling out forms etc.
 - Giving the businesses that donate a bunch of raffles to see if they can sell them too.
 - Makers Market- Theresa Prtorich
 - Great idea for a makers market for adults who craft.

- Can create a committee for the spring, there isn't much involved.
 - Charge \$25-\$40 a table.
 - Won't conflict with TREP\$
 - Possibly in March?
- Talk about Tricky Tray
 - Maybe do a tricky tray every other year, do a winter raffle every other year.
 - Tricky Tray can be in the fall.
 - Kelly Celi mentioned to Rachel we can store stuff in her basement if needed?
 - This is a huge take on and we need A LOT of hands on deck.
- Motion to close meeting at 8:12pm
 - Seconded by Jessica Eaton

Attendees:

Rachel Weiss, Beth Konopinski, Beth Greene, Liv Folkers, Theresa Prtorich, Kristen Gryzmko, Paul Csencsits, Amanda Newton, Danielle Engles, Katlin Straway, Roz McEvily