

Three Oaks PTO Monthly Meeting Agenda
Thursday, October 17th, 2024
7:00 PM - Three Oaks School
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- 1) Call to Order—Welcome and introductions (**Stephanie Steiner**)
 - a) In attendance: Stephanie Steiner, Dan Tyner, Jaime Gudino, Katie Wilkerson, Christie Larson, Sara Warren-Gudovitz, Alex Mamula, Michelle Garlick, Kyle Block, Rosie Conde, Meredith Rodewald, Monica Shore, Sara Lahtinen, Liz Oppewal, Emily Erbach, Jamie Padilla, Sabina Zielinski, Emily Wrath, Leslie Strong, Danielle McLaughlin, Meghan Henegar, Briana Brierton,
- 2) Motion to approve September 19th, 2024 Minutes
 - a) Motion to approve by: Monica Shore
 - b) Seconded by: Dan Tyner
- 3) Principal's Update (**Mr. Block**)
 - a) Lots of thank yous
 - b) Track a thon was a huge success and a lot of money was raised with a rockin recess held today
 - c) New playground is in
 - d) Caramel apple bar tomorrow
 - e) Shifted building leadership team
 - i) Specific committees for specific events
 - f) TAP has more work lately
 - g) Halloween
 - i) Parade as close to the end of the day as possible; 11:15 the kids go out; want kids to go back in just long enough to check in and make sure they have all their kids
 - h) More details to come for Veteran's Day
 - i) SOARING student each month via assemblies to honor kids for doing great things, inviting family to come in
 - i) For the first one football players and cheerleaders from CGHS to teach the fight song
 - j) First Friday Fun Night is next Friday; 6-8
 - i) Boy Scouts and high school helpers
- 4) Teachers' Update
 - a) Mrs. Marturano (via Mr. Block)
 - b) Teachers are grateful for everything: track a ton, playground, and everything else
- 5) Presidents' Update – (**Stephanie Steiner /Dan Tyner**) - no update
- 6) Vice-President's Report (**Sara Warren-Gudovitz**) - no update
- 7) Treasurer's Report (**Jaime Gudino**)
 - a) Remind teachers to fill in their teacher reimbursements at any time

- 8) Financial Secretary's Report (**Emily Erbach**) - no update
- 9) Recording Secretary's Update (**Katie Wilkerson**) - no update
- 10) Corresponding Secretary's Report (**Alex Mamula**)
 - a) For any things that need to be posted on social media, a week's notice is helpful since she tries to schedule out the week ahead of time
 - b) If anyone else needs thank you cards (for teacher appreciation), let Alex know
 - i) Jamie Padilla said they already sent their own out and Alex can give the cards to use moving forward
- 11) Completed events:
 - a) Playground (**Meredith**)
 - i) On Friday 7 preassembled ahead of time, helped Saturday move along quickly, and left just a half day on Sunday to add mulch
 - ii) Good donations for food
 - iii) Lucky to have an amazing committee volunteering their time
 - iv) Removed tetherball post from the back
 - v) Bench honoring the Foglia Family will be added when it arrives
 - vi) Drop shot will be moved to another location
 - vii) Meredith to jot down all the stats to use for the yearbook
 - viii) 22,000 pounds of concrete
 - ix) 12 volunteers from Three Oaks + 3 supervisors
 - x) High school babysitters volunteered their time
 - xi) More to come on fundraising
 - b) Spirit Wear (**Alex**)
 - i) No issues
 - ii) Will reopen in November
 - c) Track-a-Thon (**Stephanie/Sarah**)
 - i) Last pieces is the pizza party for the winning class
 - ii) \$21,978 raised
 - iii) Winning class: Reitmesiter with \$3000; she gets office max gift card and goody bag
 - iv) Most participation: Watkins; she gets a target giftcard
 - v) Chris at Movin' n Groovin' DJs did rock the recess - can teachers have students make thank you cards for him, we will pick them up and deliver them
 - vi) Raffle winners will be announced tomorrow to win a squad car ride to school, lunch with Mr Block, steal Mr Block's chair for the day, etc.
 - vii) Thank you! Lots of volunteers
 - viii) Signs were a fun addition; \$340 of signs in Zelle + \$240 in cash; there are about 40 signs left from the amount donated
 - d) ROTM: Cary Dairy, Portillos (**Jaime**)

- i) \$206
- ii) Cary Dairy: \$150

12) Current/Upcoming events:

- a) School Directories **(Katie)**
 - i) Submitted to the printer, waiting for a proof, once approved and printed will label and deliver to the teachers' mailboxes
 - ii) Will have 10 or so left over if someone missed out
- b) Yearbook **(Emily/Stephanie)**
 - i) Started yearbook
 - ii) Link is live so pictures can be submitted now
 - iii) Playground, track a thon
- c) Book Fair **(Stephanie)**
 - i) Next week
 - ii) Short on volunteers
 - iii) 40 slots are not filled, looking for more help if possible
- d) Urban Air Night **(Meredith)**
 - i) Next week; Wednesday from 4-8 and you have to have the flyer; even if it is on your phone it should work
 - ii) Mr Block will add to the weekly newsletter on Sunday
 - iii) Alex will put onto the website
- e) Costume Exchange **(Emily)**
 - i) We got a lot of donations this year
 - ii) The event is tomorrow during recess
 - iii) Setting up at the end of the day helped get the kids excited
- f) Skate Night **(Amy)**
 - i) Monday before Election Day; 11/4
 - ii) Flyer will come out pretty soon
 - iii) Extreme Wheels in Crystal Lake
- g) Odyssey of the Mind **(Christie)**
 - i) In person and virtual info nights are scheduled
 - ii) See how many students are interested and finding parents to coach; 7 kids max per team
 - iii) Can bring kids to the meeting so they understand it better
 - iv) Competition is in the spring, coaches can set up the schedule however they want to
 - v) Competition is located in northwest suburbs, near lake Forrest
 - vi) If scheduled after school, can use the after school club buses
- h) Original Works **(Jaime/Jamie)**

- i) Mrs. O'Connor is working on getting the projects started/organized for each of the grades
- ii) Working on organization
- iii) Hoping to have artwork done by the 1st if possible to allow time to get everything ready
- iv) Everything should be here before Christmas

13) Ongoing Committees:

- a) Restaurant of the Month **(Jaime)**
 - i) November: Panda Express on 11/12; all day
 - ii) December: Chipotle
 - iii) Guzman & Gomez are interested in having a ROTM day
- b) TAP **(Sarah)**
 - i) Going really well; the bins outside the rooms for the teachers seem to be working really well
 - ii) Volunteers have slowed down; looking for more volunteers
 - iii) Alex to post another reminder
 - iv) It's one hour, and the time can be flexible
- c) Teacher/Staff Appreciation **(Kim/Jamie/Kathi)**
 - i) Carmel apple bar planned for tomorrow for lunch
 - ii) At the end of the month, there will be a "you've been boo-ed" gift cards donated by the families
 - iii) Sending out a staff survey for the the dinner for conferences
 - iv) Working on trail mix bar on the 2nd day of conferences
 - v) Cary Jewel donated 60 apples
 - vi) Alex will post it tomorrow; want to be conscious of how often we ask for donations from the family and last year we ended up looking for donations from local companies when we collected for Christmas
- d) Birthday Board **(Katie/Jamie)**
 - i) October is up; November "have an unbe-leaf-able birthday" to put up early November
- e) Transportation Appreciation **(Liz)**
 - i) Next Tuesday Liz is bringing some goodies to the bus drivers at 6 (state of Illinois bus driver day) - grab and go fruit, breakfast foods & coffee
 - ii) 20 drives plus staff
 - iii) Fall themed
- f) Three Oaks Closet **(Liz)**
 - i) Probaly low on girls pants; 4-6 and up
 - ii) Can put donations in a bag and drop it in the office
 - iii) Can post on FB buy nothing ISO

- g) **Lost & Found (Liz/Laura)**
 - i) Lots of hoodies from track a thon that are still there
 - ii) Everything is in cubbies
 - iii) Can we get a table? Yes, that way it can be displayed and ready for coats
 - iv) Laura will take pictures every so often to post on FB
 - v) Will have it all set out for parent teacher conferences

14) Roundtable / Open Business

- a) Need volunteers: Shadow for Holiday Shop, this has already started
- b) Daddy Daughter Dance: Need chair and co-chair
- c) Talent Show: We would love to bring it back; usually have a PTO lead to coordinate it and can be any time of the year; Emily Erbach to co-chair; can ask Mrs. Drayton to help organize (Mrs Witt did it previously); Leslie Strong is willing to help but not lead; organize with the Junior High to have the stage
- d) Jess from the Pieceful project is looking to do a fundraiser where she can open her shop and donate money back; Jaime suggested to talk to her accountant to review tax implications; b/c we don't handle it from that side; then reach out to Jaime; ideally to do before Christmas, maybe after Thanksgiving
- e) Liz has a possible fundraiser for January 19 (Sunday afternoon without school on Monday for MLK) with the Chicago Wolves at Rosemont; family night and they will raise prices \$5 for donations back to the school
 - i) \$22 per ticket and a voucher food
 - ii) Minimum is 30 people
 - iii) Every ticket gets a hat
 - iv) Maybe consider Windy City Bulls; they have a minimum of 20 people at \$25/ticket with \$5 back to us; be aware of CBA hosting around that time too
- f) The DJ Chris also offers to do SINGO at Galați's where he plays songs and you guess the name/signer/etc.
 - i) Runs 4 games per show, could tack on prizes
 - ii) More of a parent event
 - iii) Would need a chair or someone to organize
- g) Assemblies: Mr Block talked to Mat, but he wasn't interested
 - i) We have a budget for it
 - ii) Mr. Block has a lot of emails about assemblies
- h) Remind teachers: we budget \$3 per child to help cover costs of field trips
 - i) 4th grade is going to Richardson's Farm next week and parents already sent money it; if teacher was going to use \$3 per student, needs to notify Jaime
- i) Alex: looking to do the VIP event in January
- j) Fun Fair: January/February - Emily will start looking for dates

k) Referendum is coming up for voting; ask Dan if you have questions

Oct/Nov/Dec 2024 Calendar

October 18th - Costume Exchange (during recess)

October 21-25 - Book Fair

October 23rd - Urban Air Night

October 25th - Friday Fun Night

October 28th - Odyssey of the Mind info Meeting (in person)

October 30th - Odyssey of the Mind info Meeting (virtual)

October 31st - Halloween, ½ Day of School

November 4th - Skate Night at Xtreme Wheels in CL

November 5th - Election Day, No School

November 12th - ROTM (Panda Express)

December 6th, 9th, and 10th - Holiday Shop

December 11th - ROTM (Chipotle)