



## Cove PTO Executive Board Meeting

Wednesday, December 4, 2024 | 8:30-9:30am

[Zoom](#) Link, Meeting ID: 870 5329 6416, Passcode: 931073

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- **Call Meeting to Order - 8:33am ; call to approve mtg notes from last month; all approved, none opposed**
  - **President's Report**
    - Still have open [volunteer opportunities](#) - looking for VPs to be president next year; anyone interested, come see Jessica
    - Secret Snowflake gifts (Dec 16-20)
    - Holiday Store sign-ups
  - **VP Updates**
    - Safe Routes Marin: update from Mira Schwartz - looking for volunteers and advice on how to support us at Cove; provide crossing guards and run a safe routes program at school (monthly walk & roll campaign + can lead classes to make signage to encourage walking etc.)
      - Need someone to lead program at our school
      - Spring luncheon for new parent volunteers to orient them
      - Can come and do assembly
      - Will send volunteer description
      - Comments: Need crossing guards; suggestion to have flags to carry when crossing the street
    - Variety Show—link to website [here](#)
      - Parent info meeting last night
      - Show will be Fri, March 21st at 6pm
      - Preview week and rehearsal dates on calendar
      - Info on website
      - Links for registration and rehearsal sign-ups go live December 16th at 9am; all links will be in Cove Connection
      - Really need volunteers to help - sign up if you can!
        - Suggestion to make mandatory to volunteer
    - Cove Cares—[Photo Album](#)
      - Goal to provide additional love and support to families going through a difficult time; work with staff to identify families who need that
      - Suggestion to have list of items needed; suggestion to have separate donation option to support families in need

- Readathon
  - Thinking about moving away from minute tracking, and doing bingo cards with reading-related tasks
  - Dates are same
  - Met with Neil Cummins to get ideas
  - Looking for volunteers to help
  - Monday we get back from break, will send book bags with calendar of dates + bookmarks
  - Friday 1/10 kick-off assembly + book swap
  - Assembly 1/17, bedtime story 1/21, author assembly 1/24, donations due 1/28 + final assembly
  - Prizes and raffle throughout program
  - Suggestion to do bedtime story in Spanish (Glenda to do)
- **Principal Walker Update**
  - Turkey Trot postponed - going to do run on Valentine's Day
  - Report cards went out
  - Exchange program - thanks to Catherine for helping with logistics; so cool to meet the teachers and envision the partnership; really fun!
    - Suggestion to incorporate 1st & 3rd graders more
  - Professional development yesterday for K-2 new teachers (CGI math focus; workshop model for writing; philosophy and approach to reading); Grades 3-5 will do next Tuesday
  - Holiday traditions
    - Holiday Store
    - Holiday Sing for Kinder
    - Holiday Sing-a-long
  - Upcoming music share: daytime performances for most grades and evening performance for 5th graders
  - 10th anniversary of Cove flooding - revisit story
- **SPARK Update: Jaime Heaps**
  - Need volunteers!
  - Online auction 3/13-16
  - Gala 3/29 at Jonah Center again
  - Need volunteers to get items for auction
    - Need Cove parent parties; vacation homes; sports tickets
    - Need volunteers to call and solicit donations for auction
- **Teacher Representative Update: Lindsay Hess**
  - Thank you for your continued support!
  - Newspaper update: trying to get published by 12/19; have 3 articles written; have template
    - Met with the senior editor of IJ - it was so cool!
    - Suggestion to ask Redwood newspaper if they would help mentor
    - Question: which grades can do newspaper? Started grades 3-5, but mostly grades 4-5; meet every Friday
- **LCMSD Trustee Update: Eric Schmautz**
- **Corte Madera Parks & Rec: Erin Duggan**

- New system: will be getting update for upcoming classes; no one can register until Jan 2nd; will find out more soon!
- Trying to plan more classes for Cove; more art teachers at Cove
- **Parent Mara share:**
  - Hall Middle School has no visual art program
  - Thinking about doing a visual art show in Spring
  - Need space to highlight art and bring awareness to importance of having visual arts in middle school
- **Upcoming Events:**
  - Thursday, December 5, Green School yards meeting, 6:30-8:30, *Cove Library*
  - Thursday, December 12, Holiday Store setup, 5-7pm, *Cove Gallery*
  - Friday, December 13, Holiday Store, 8am-4pm, *Cove Gallery*
  - Weeks of 12/23/24-1/3/25, Winter Break - No School
  - Readathon 2025 starts the week of January 6, 2025
- **Next Meeting Dates:**
  - PTO Board Meeting, Wednesday, January 8, 8:30-9:30am, *Cove Library* or on [Zoom](#), Meeting ID: 849 8206 7255, Passcode: 155461

*Meeting end 9:45am*