

Agenda

Woodland Elementary PTO

WD PTO Meeting - 2021-2022 School Year Kick-Off

- Welcome & Intros
 - Jen Sadika, Jen Broden, Devin Sukalski, Alexis Eromosele, Megan Sing, Hindia Hulbale, Jody Levy, Scott Lund, Terry Derksen, Rob Nelson, Amanda Naylor, Michelle Scott, Rachel Johnson, Katie Lunsford, Heather Erickson, Audrey Kenyon, Megan Fordice, Kyra Moses, Jenna Maurer, Kandy Heitland, Cynthia and Jesse Cuevas, Ashley Hanson, and Hassan Yusuf.
- Approval of Minutes Aug 10th meeting minutes stand as read
- Treasurer's Report
 - First week of school, books are balanced. Balance is + \$1,400! Reports are available for everyone. We are looking for more fun ideas to raise money. Aaron question about Amazon Smile. Kandy/Heather rolled up every 3 months. Audrey to post the information on Facebook. Scott recommended that we print hard copies and send home with parents. Parent asked what the funds are used for we support many functions at the school. We keep savings and can use them for things like the climbing wall, updated playground, outdoor classroom, etc. Kandy budget is set in May of each year and invited parents to voice their ideas on where the money should be used. Heather indicated the financial goal is \$34,000!
- President's Report
 - Current Open Positions/Volunteer Interest:
 - Treasurer-Elect
 - Secretary
 - District Planning Advisory Council (DPAC) Representative
 - Upcoming Events & Discussions
 - Fun Run September 30th- updates from Chairs/Event Coordinator, ideas for activities during Fun Run, outline plan with Treasury for daily incoming funds & school updates.

- Kyra: co-chair with Kelly Thompson (3rd year serving). Fun Run is an event at the school, weeks leading up to the race is focused on fundraising. That has been kicked off, each child should have received a fundraising envelope. Encouraged the use of the QR code but know that we take funds in any fashion. Goal is to raise \$20,000! Right now, we are at \$530! New this year is the t-shirts with sponsorship from local businesses. Each child will get a shirt. Kids get prizes at different levels. If we reach our goal, Principal Nelson will get silly-stringed and "pelted" with water balloons. Principal Nelson re-iterated that this is a dual purpose event – community building and fundraising. Ashley (parent) - how far will the kids run? Kyra – as far as they want to – it's a timed event. There are also other activities. Golden shoe award for most competitive classroom!! Event is during the school day. Parents can attend and cheer on the kiddos. Fundraising temperature gauge in hallway and in classrooms! Kyra encourages that parents review the envelope to better understand how fundraising helps the school.
- Meet & Eat With Woody, Food Truck Night- update from Event Coordinator
- October 5th (Tuesday), Jenna 4 dinner trucks and 1 dessert truck.
 Event chairs will be at the various food trucks and we'll have a 'passport' concept where parents can get 'credit' for hearing about events and possibly volunteer. We'll have a PTO table too. Time is 5:30 to 7:00.
- Cookies and Cream, Pigs Unlimited, Greek one, Pizza one and Taco one.
- Fall ButterBraids/Pizza
- Families love this fundraiser.
- Turkey BINGO
- Plan is to have this in person. This is one of the favored events.
 Silent auctions and bingo calling. Woodland community can make donations. Classrooms sometimes create baskets to put in the auction.
- Holiday Shop
- Need a co-chair; basically a no-cost event for us.

- Open Event Chairs/Co-Chairs/Committee Opportunities
 - Book Fair Coordinator
 - Community Supper Coordinator
 - Co-Chair: Holiday Shop
 - Co-Chair Woodland Family Dance
 - Committees early discussion for which events, and outreach
- Event Coordinator Report Updates, ideas, & discussion
 - School Supply Box Vendor
 - Need to sign contract for next year. Do we want to continue with this vendor?
 - We get proceeds from the sales, convenience for parents. Rachel has chaired the event in the past and has been happy with the vendor. Proceed with same vendor.
 - Spirit Wear
 - Are we happy with our vendor we have used last 2 years? Should we try to get samples by Meet and Eat with Woody night? What styles do parents/teachers want?
 - Desire to stay with current vendor (Innovative is the vendor). Once a year event. We were hoping to have samples in time for food truck event but with COVID, samples are hard to come by. Likely 100% online. Ideas for non-apparel – maybe coffee mugs, window clings, masks, etc.
 - Becky will be chairing the event.
 - Sponsorship/T-shirts
 - Got enough sponsors to get over 800 shirts! Sent home with kids on the day of Fun Run.
 - Recap of Feedback from Staff Survey
 - Got 42 responses. Where should money be invested in our school supplies, sensory walkway, GAGAball, paint the blacktop, new die-cutter, wetlab, snacks for students. Emotional support presentations on bullying, cyber security, transition to middle school/high school, calming

yoga, painting therapy, climb theatre, maybe encouraging students to become teachers. Kyra – how will we decide what to move forward with – focus on free first? More discussions to follow.

- Additional Event Updates:
 - Turkey BINGO
 - Possible Free Informational Events for Fall
- Principal's Report
 - Big thank you from the staff for the appreciation event yesterday. School year is going to be challenging dealing with repercussions of COVID. High level of stress on teachers and staff so any support we can provide will be appreciated. As reported earlier, Fun Run is underway. All school BBQ is weather dependent, will be cancelled in event of weather. Families will join their children outside for lunch. Masks will be encouraged until seated. Principal Nelson will communicate lunch timings and will alert if event is cancelled. Students will get the lunch regardless. Sept 24th. Conferences will be in October. They are scheduled review your school calendar. Details may be available as early as next week. Option will be virtual or in-person.
- Special Orders of Business
 - Vote to fill vacant positions for the unexpired term:
 - Treasurer-Elect (Megan Sing nominated by Heather, seconded by Audrey – motion passed and accepted), Secretary (Katie – nominated by Audrey, seconded by Heather, motion passed and accepted), District Planning Advisory Council (DPAC)
 Representative (Hassan nominated by Devin and seconded by Aaron, motion passed and accepted).
 - Idea proposals for school enrichment/events (early brainstorming)
 - Sensory Walkway
 - To honor occupational therapist who recently passed away. Can honor both perspectives of benefit and distractions. Principal Nelson very supportive of this enrichment. Ideas need to be vetted with district and grounds operations. Michelle Scott has experiences and lessons learned that she is willing to share.
 - Early ideas for this year's calendar from group open discussion
- General Orders of Business

- Fall Panel of WD grads
- Coffee with the principal
- Parents can have meet and greet with Principal Nelson. Either in the morning or before a PTO meeting.
- Chalk the walk
- Looks great and was very well received.
- Instagram
- Gagaball
- Eagle Scout has volunteered to lead this effort.
- Volunteer t-shirts
- Volunteer of the year award
- Announcements
- Save The Date: Next PTO meeting October 7th
- Adjournment
- Meeting adjourned at 7:32pm.