

Holt PTO Meeting January 4, 2024

PTO Leadership Update: Amanda Knight is stepping down as PTO President and will move into the role as VP. Kimberly Brown is stepping into the role of President and facilitated tonight's meeting.

Non-Profit Status Update: Holt PTO has been approved and is now officially a 501c3 non-profit organization within the state of Oregon. This will provide the PTO better tracking of our funds, and more flexibility of how monies are spent.

Budget Updates: Kimberly gave budgets updates – At this time approx. 33k of our 52k budget has been allocated for use and the PTO is negative approx. \$17,678.00 until jog-a-thon. Dual budgets will continue to be used until the PTO has used up the money in the 4J account and we have started to build up the money in our new PTO Bank Account. Amanda informed the board that 4J lost one of the vendor's checks from last year's spring carnival, that was to be allocated to the PTO and it is unable to be recovered.

Site Counsel & Teacher Update:

- Teachers would like additional workroom help with making copies and completing other projects.
- Principal Chinn gave updates on school wide initiatives for diversity and inclusion –
- promoted the upcoming parenting series Conscious Discipline. This year the course will also be presented to the children in childcare so they are also learning the same content as their parents. Pizza Provided.
- School passed a recent Fire Marshall inspection. A few minor items of note that needed to be addressed were the removal of any twinkle lights, ensuring a 3ft egress for doors, removal of any hanging paper snowflakes which are considered “combustibles”, and other minor adjustments.

Committee Updates/Volunteer Needs:

- **School Cents Update:** Holt is currently in 7th place. Receipts from purchase at Valley River can be left at the front desk for purchasing – all receipts must be logged within 2 weeks of purchase.
- **Oregon Battle of the Books:** VOLUNTEERS NEEDED – Holt has 12 teams this year. Battles will be M/W/F and 6-9 volunteers are needed for each battle. Contact Robbie Cortez, School Librarian, or Tina Tague, Volunteer Coordinator for additional information on how to help. Roles include Moderator, Timekeeper, Score Keeper.
- **Book Nook:** VOLUNTEERS NEEDED – happens every Thursday and the current volunteers are starting to get burnt out as they have been doing this every week since school started. Additional help would be appreciated. Please contact Tina Tague, Volunteer Coordinator, for additional information.
- **Spring Carnival:** COMMITTEE MEMBERS NEEDED – contact Kimberly Brown if you are interested in helping to plan this event.
- **Spring Book Fair:** This will overlap with Spring Carnival. Robbie Cortez is looking at new vendors for a book fair to use in place of Scholastic. Volunteers will be needed before

and after school. A large change from previous years; Morning hours are open to students and parents who have a **valid 4J background check** – if you do not have your background clearances on file with the District you may continue to come to the after school hours of the book fair.

- **Jog-A-Thon:** COMMITTEE MEMBERS NEEDED – Committee members needed to assist with planning this event. Please contact Kimberly Brown for additional information. She will Chair this committee but needs help! On the day of the event 30-40 volunteers will be needed. Volunteers can help at one or both sessions as your schedule permits.

Other: PTO decided not to host an additional Bingo Nights this year as the partition which separates the Gym and Cafeteria remains broken, leaving a cramped space for the number of typical attendees.

District Volunteer Application can be found here:

<https://apps.raptortech.com/Apply/Mzg4ODplbi1VUw==>