

## March 9, 2021: **PTO Meeting**

### Attendees:

M. Urrunaga, W. White, M. Pelloth, M. Sirios, C. Cugno, E. Boudria, A. Stark, S., C. Gombotz, C. Caliandri, B. Previti, L. Gaudino, A. Mollica, K. Vernon

- Upcoming Art Field Trip Opportunity
  - Two opportunities: 5th grade only \$5.50/kid and prerecorded for whole school \$75 total for Florence Griswold Art Museum
  - In the past, 5th grade paid for themselves. This year, can we pay? Upcoming 5th grade Mystic Seaport trip, too much for \$16.50/kid limit?
  - Motion to approve whole school assembly for \$75? APPROVED
  - Will vote next meeting about 5th grade opportunity, with Mystic info
  - Should we reconsider \$16.50/student field trip fund? Had been halved due to uncertainty in Sept. Have only spent \$350 so far this year. Take on individual basis. motion to approve 5th grade art trip? APPROVED
- Treasurer Report
  - ~\$56,000 in account.
  - Expenditure of \$350 for Kindergarten field trip
  - Income of ~\$850 from donatio, membership, last of spiritwear
- Principal Report
  - Vaccine clinic 3/6, and again 3/13. Went very well. Great atmosphere and attendance
  - Thank you to all, B. Benigni, for setting it up
  - Report cards come out 3/12. Conferences 3/17, 3/24, 3/25
  - Calendar changes-
    - early release Weds continue until June
    - Week of remote learning after April break
    - 177 days of school- last day Mon. 6/21, staff last day 6/23
  - BrainPop renewal? Would like to keep consistent for staff and students
    - 50% staff use weekly, addt'l 19% use multiple times a month
    - \$2950 to renew for the year, no discounts
    - Motion to renew BrainPop from assembly budget? APPROVED
- Membership
  - \$1948 in membership
- Staff Appreciation
  - Possible video montage? Logistics with timing? 5th grade had poor responses from parents. Maybe Googleform- video too tough
- Grocery Points
  - Stop&Shop has 736 supporters, \$3629.24 from 9/20-3/21. Ends 3/13
  - No Shop-Rite this year, need to renew '21-'22
- Sports Nights
  - None yet
- Box Tops

- 13 physical box tops, so \$1.30 + ~\$50 digital. Send online reminder?
- Restaurant Nights
  - Made \$110.00 with Roosters restaurant night
  - Bills Pizza night 3/23. Send reminder?
  - Joey B's and The Ave in the spring- use in Berlin Bingo
  - Possibly do a Weds. afternoon, teachers can participate after short Weds
- Spiritwear
  - Nothing new
- Scholastic
  - Scheduled fair for May 17-21, possibly in person?
- 5th Grade Committee
  - Need pictures. Maybe Mr. Clapp
  - T-Shirts coming soon
  - End of year event still being planned. Party and combo locks?
  - Shred-It event 5/15
  - No pasta supper event, possibly do thank you and give to the community in early April
- Fun Run
  - Last one, Spring 2019. Made \$35,000, company takes half. Maybe do again Fall '21? Possibly need new committee chair?
- Cub Scouts
  - Had Ofc Aimee join via zoom
  - Had zoom presentation from teacher of deaf and hard of hearing school
  - Upcoming virtual Pinewood Derby, camp out at Sloper, bottle drives, town clean-ups
- 4th Grade Committee
  - Possible Bills Pizza kits fundraiser
  - Start reaching out for pictures
- Other Business
  - Scholarship fund. \$300 requested. Motion to add as new line item? APPROVED
  - All teachers who want to be vaccinated should be by 4/26 (Monday after April break) do large banner to thank them? Discuss at next meeting
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Next PTO meeting is April 6 @ 6:30pm