



- Welcome new parents!
- Introductions
 - Krissy Lenkaitis – Co-President
 - Kathy Epperson – Co-President
 - Sabrina Huffman – Treasurer
 - Melissa Hart – Secretary
 - Melissa McLead – Fundraising Chair
 - Lisa Price – Communications Chair and Beautification Lead
 - Jessica Wolfe – Teacher Appreciation Chair
 - Happy Whitaker – Grade Level Representative
- Parent Teacher Student Organization - PTSO Overview (Krissy and Kathy)
- Key Dates (Kathy)
 - Capital Campaign Fundraiser: 9/22 – 10/17
 - Winter Fest Party – Thursday, December 18th *(during the school day)*
 - Winter Fest Party Rain Date – Friday, December 19th *(during the school day)*
 - International Night – February 12th *(evening)*
 - 6th grade Glow Dance – February 27th *(evening)*

- o 7th & 8th grade dance (fundraiser which is managed and run by the dance/choir/drama booster club) - April 24th (*evening*)
- o End of Year Parties on the field:
 - 6th / 7th grade – June 9th (*during the school day with inflatables*)
 - 8th grade – June 8th (*during the school day – like a “field day”*)
- Other activities run by the PTSO
 - o ACE Awards
 - o Honor Roll Recognition
 - o Teacher Appreciation
- Open Roles (Krissy and Kathy):
 - o For most major roles, we currently only have one person assigned. We’d love to have more people join the PTSO team in co-chair roles, or as committee leads or joining a committee to help with an event like one of our Teacher Appreciation events, or a Fundraising activity.
 - o **Please reach out to Krissy Lenkaitis at krissylenk@gmail.com** to let her know roles that are of interest and how you’d like to participate. Thank you!
 - o Communications co-chair with Lisa Price. Post information on social media:
 - Instagram
 - Facebook
 - We do have an “X” account, but we don’t use it much
 - Looking for someone to help this year so they can lead communications the next couple of years

- o VP School Support (many opportunities to volunteer!)
 - Welcome Desk:
 - o Sign-ups to get volunteers to help students get through the scanners quickly in the morning. Help students get signed in if coming in late with note from the doctor, etc. (Helps the front desk to be able to do other things.) Lines at three locations:
 - o Front of the school
 - o Cafeteria (buses)
 - o Gym (for students with sports equipment).
 - Character Awards:
 - o Once a month on a Friday morning
 - o Light breakfast, Mr. Bissinger talks about the character trait for the month
 - o Recognize selected students
 - ACE Awards:
 - o Recognizes students with good behavior across the quarter with a little treat (per their behavior sheet). Positive way to recognize the students. Usually in the afternoon...2pm for an hour or so
 - Honor Roll:
 - o Students getting A's and A's and B's make the honor roll and thus get a certificate and a treat at the end of the quarter
 - o Ice cream truck was a huge hit
 - o Run a list of students night before. Teachers gave students a ticket that morning, so they can get their treat.

- International Night:
 - o Families host tables and present information (typically on a poster board) about their native countries.
 - o Families provide food, items on the table representing the country, some provide music
 - o Students learn about the countries and stamp their passports at each table; earn a homework award
 - o Students participating at a table earn an even better homework award.
 - o Note: suggest the window is longer for students to attend this year.
- Co-Treasurer
 - o Need a co-treasurer to work with Sabrina Huffman
 - o Busiest in the beginning of the year
 - o After the first of the year. ~ 5 hours a month. You can do the work at your own pace. Just have to reconcile.
 - o We don't collect a lot of cash. Almost all payments online.
 - o Manage the reimbursements.
 - o Validate what is in the budget and if there is enough money in the bank for activities as they come up
 - o Teachers pay \$5 to be a member of PTSO. Then teachers can get up to \$100 reimbursement for supplies, etc.

- Co-Fundraiser
 - o Need a co-fundraiser with Melissa McLead.
 - o Trying some new things this year.
 - o Would also like some committee leads
 - o Dining Nights Out with local restaurants (prefer restaurants which will give us a percentage of proceeds from the entire night)
 - Example: Zapata's, Ben & Jerry's with a celebrity scooper (like Mr. Bissinger)
 - PTSO can provide initial list of people you can contact
 - Can be done from home
 - o Dollar Day: bring a dollar to be able to wear crocs for the day (or pajamas, etc.)
 - Collect money at the doors
 - Count the money
 - Hand counting money to Sabrina Huffman
 - On specified Friday mornings
- Teacher Appreciation – Jessica leading
 - o Needs a co-chair, and probably a committee
 - o Every other month host a Teacher Appreciation Event (and then Teacher Appreciation week in May)
 - o New ideas welcome! All new folks on this committee this year
 - o First event targeted for October....
 - o Admin gets some budget this year to take the sparkle cart around to teachers
 - o Love donations from businesses and families

- Beautification – Lisa Price leading
 - o Needs a co-lead
 - o Plant flowers, decorations for the front doors, etc..
 - o Make the front look fresh
 - o Student club likes gardening
 - o Just need the water key to water plants and flowers
 - o Not that much time. Any help is appreciated.
- Grade Level Representatives (so will be three volunteers: 6th grade, 7th grade, 8th grade)
 - o As Happy Whitaker said “we are the party people....we plan the parties” 😊
 - o Plan the Winter Fest party and the end of year parties
 - o Set up sign-up genius by grade level for volunteers at event
 - o Set up sign-up genius for parents to donate food
- Principal Updates (Mr. Bissinger)
 - o Top 100 in NC for growth
 - o 7% growth
 - o Great first week inside the walls of the school
 - o 20th year in operation
 - o Perhaps 20th year celebration with alumni teachers
- ***Next PTSO Meeting will be October 8th at 5pm*** in the Media Center.

Respectfully submitted by Melissa Hart, PTSO secretary