Elliott Ranch PTO Meeting

Wednesday 11/2/22 at 6:05

Introductions

Mrs. VanHousen

* Fun Run this Friday 11/4
  + 90 parents signed up to come, still need volunteers
    - event open to public so fingerprints not needed
  + Need leaf blowers
  + Mark shirts with stickers at each lap
  + Evaluating Boosters vs Apex for fundraising:
    - Boosters require more teacher work
    - Some of the Boosters staff high energy
    - Apex better at motivating kids, greater presence on campus
    - Booster maybe not raise as much money but keep more of the money than Apex
  + Minimum day for Fun Run
* Conferences next week
  + Minimum day Thursday 11/10, school closed for Veterans Day school Friday 11/11, minimum day Monday 11/14 through Friday 11/18
  + Previously did movie event during minimum day conferences
    - Serve students pizza, popcorn and an airhead
    - Flat fee to attend, possibly prepay in future
    - Previously PTO Membership Drive give tickets to minimum day movie if pledge certain amount
    - Requires 4 volunteers minimum, student RSVPs need to be more accurate
    - Next minimum days March 1st, 2nd, 3rd,
    - Consider behavior contract for future movie events
    - Pizza to start and treat for good behavior,
    - Consider switching to an outside event or having activities instead
* Next Coffee With Admin on Tuesday 11/29th at 8:30 am
* Update on playground improvements
  + Large playground slide on order with the district,
  + Elk Grove School District funding the slide
  + PTO funding playground upgrades
    - TK/Kindergarten yard get shade sails
      * Previous shade structure was approx $18,000
      * Contact previous to replace just the canvas
    - Big playground get updated black top
      * Repaint and add games
      * Vendor is providing bid for each painted feature

Budget

* Purchased staff fleece for approx $2,000
* Zbest book fundraiser made approx $3,000
  + Next year prepare more and organize with teacher better
  + Discussion to allocate some of the money to Teacher Appreciation fund
    - Only have $1,500 for the whole year for a large staff of 30 teachers, 60 staff total
    - Get donations, like for teacher area and breakfast, but nice to have more purchasing power
    - Karissa make a motion for another $2,500 from Zbest and Harvest Festival profit, to make total $4,000 for Teacher Appreciation
    - Luis second the motion
    - Passed unanimously

Harvest Festival

* Made approx $5,700 dollars
  + Still have about $1,000 in costs
  + Approx $3,000 goes to PTO
  + Approx $1,000 go to classes and clubs
    - Some classes made up to $600
* Next year get more staff participation
  + Not all staff got information about hosting a game
* About 1,000 people attended

Yearbooks

* 6th grade wants to know when is the art contest for yearbook,
  + Art goes on cover, inserts, etc
* PTO project previously headed by one parent
  + Took pictures, now can be uploaded by teachers
  + Class layout done by class parent or teacher
* This year need to get a committee for yearbook
  + Dyan set up email and send out after Color Run

Breakfast With Santa

* Friday 12/16th, last day of school before break
* Need lots of volunteers,
  + Decorate MP room the night before, host, clean up
    - Consumens Oakes volunteers can help decorate the night before
    - adults volunteer to dress up; previous Santa probably return
* Doughnuts for 600 kids and 60 staff
  + Last year had 600 doughnuts
  + 50-60 police show up and give them the extra doughnuts
  + Slightly less children than previous years but event is open to families and siblings
  + Order 600 doughnuts again this year
* PTO 5013c tax status was reinstated so can use it for donations
  + Need to contact Raleys
* Raj put all the event needs together in an email for Dyan
  + check back in after Thanksgiving

Questions and Comments:

* Pass around gratitude cards to sign for Fun Run sponsors
* Fun Run shirts coming Thursday 11/3, including shirts for adults and sponsors
  + Sponsor checks to be cashed on Thursday 11/3
* What do with old PTO paper membership forms?
  + don't need, shred
* Next meeting Wednesday 12/7th at 6pm