WOOD OAKS PTA MEETING

Monday, September 13, 2021

AGENDA

1. Welcome

The meeting began at 1:08 pm.

Attendees: Cari Beake, Anna Harris, Debbie Salzer Rothschild, Roseanne Gordon, Beth Satler, Rivka Daar, Karen Frum, and Adrienne Felder Mittelman

2. Vice Principal Report

Cari Beake reported:

a. The teachers, staff and students were appreciative of the Welcome Back food from Grill House and the beautiful balloon arch. It was a great kick off to the year and the kids are excited to be back in school. This year is different due to sports and activities restarting. Most announcements concerning clubs and sports will be on the Wood Oaks web page. This year there will be no TEDed group and there is board games and billiard club, but there is no longer a ping pong table at Wood Oaks. Intramurals will be starting, but may have to divide into different odd/even groups due to much interest for this group. Wood Oaks is still navigating spectators at games. Extracurricular clubs start this week. The district is working out the kinks with the buses. There are 25 new students this year. For PBIS, there is an online store for prizes. The PTA old 5K shirts are already sold out from the online PBIS store. The school already had an Evacuation Drill, and the Shelter in Place Drill is tomorrow. The Active Intruder Drill will be in October. Wood

3. Executive Board Report

a. Budget: Karen Frum is working on the report with teacher appreciation and balloons being only expenses thus far. Wood Oaks moved from the bank in town to Chase, so it will make payments easier. It is difficult to close up old bank account, but Karen is working on it. With Chase, Zelle and Square can be used. Venmo cannot be used as there is no phone number attached.

4. Committee Reports

Book Fair (Andrea Dalinka): It is fine that is the same date and time as Hickory Point's in person book fair in February 2022, as the audience is different.

<u>Communications (Roseanne Gordon)</u>: She has been busy posting and updating social media. On Wednesday she will post Eat Taco, which occurs a week from Wednesday. There is a plan for a friendly competition between the 3 schools in the district for Dairy Queen Fundraiser for which school has the most orders. Roseanne will post CATCH's online speaker event.

D27 Race (Anna Harris): There is a race meeting tonight at 8 pm at Emily Taylor's home. 362 people already signed up. 166 are running the 5K; 143 are running the 1M; and 40 kids are running the kids dash. Bach to Rock will be providing 2 DJs and High Five Sports will provide the fun obstacle course. Volunteers are needed for the race at 8 am.

<u>Directory (Lynn Howard):</u> People are happy with the easy access to the digital directory. The PTA and Wood Oaks are encouraging staff to join PTA, and many already have.

<u>Environmental (Adrienne Felder Mittelman)</u>: Theme of Reduce, Reuse, Recycle for different project similar to Sole to Sole or collection of winter gear or possibly a bag drive as Scholastic isn't providing bags for the book fairs, but looking into different issues. Wood Oaks is in support of projects.

Events/Fundraising (Anna Harris): The Wood Oaks Birthday Signs will be \$25 each and a sample was displayed. Orders are starting this Friday and October 9 will be a drive thru pickup, which Deb explained we could all volunteer at. Parents will own sign forever.

Pickup will be in Niles for Affy Taple Fundraiser and it will be inexpensive for parents. 3 types of Taffy Apples will be available for purchase, as well as Pretzel Rods for the teachers.

September 22-23 is a two day Eat Taco Fundraiser online or phone orders. Next will be Chicago Pizza Authority and then Dairy Queen Fundraiser.

<u>Welcome Wagon (Shawna Schwalb):</u> Shawna welcomed new families with email, personal notes and dropped off Wood Oaks Spiritwear.

<u>Teacher Appreciation (Erin Machat):</u> Balloons were great to welcome teachers and Erin is working on future teacher appreciation events.

Spiritwear (Deborah Rothschild): Current 5th graders will get a Wood Oaks t-shirt. Will make spiritwear available over the summer.

5. New Business: Bi-laws will be updated. Rivka shared on they were updated at Shabonee recently. Discussion of what group chats work for group work and Ms. Beake explained communicating through a shared document is the best option. Council meeting is this Wednesday via Zoom.

Next month's meeting: October 18, 2021 at 1 p.m. is the next meeting

The meeting concluded at 2:07 pm.