Parent Council Meeting September 25th 2023

Present

Holly F, Lynsey W, Ashley M, Melissa M, Melissa T, Julie B, Andrea B, Keith B, Pam D, Ms. Lees and Ms. Ferguson

1. Treasurers Report/Expenses

- not available today
- playground invoice \$925 (we had budgeted \$1500 so this is a win)
- We need a new BBQ or cook top/griddle looking at ~\$500, hoping staff and council can ask around for donations/discounts
- Mr. Shaughnessy and Ms. Ferguson requesting \$38.00 for a trip to the pumpkin patch (council happy to oblige)

2. Fundraising plans

T-shirts sales - Adrienne sold two shirts to new staff \$40.00

Fundraising Options

Plantables

- Ashely reached out
- sells bulbs and seeds
- 10% profit on all sales
- order directly from the website
- deliver directly

Sipology

- Mlle Dubis mother in law (to be)
- tea
- willing to do a taste test evening
- 40% profit on all sales
- order directly from website
- delivers to door

Poinsettias

- plan to go ahead

- November 23rd 2023 delivery day

Empire Cheese

- Holly to find a date that works for both empire cheese and Tanya
- It was a lot to ask Tanya last year to do both poinsettias and cheese at the same time
- how do we organize dates better?
- council felt running them both at Christmas was the best opportunity for sales

Beavertails

- Andrea in talks to have the Beavertail trailer sell in Warsaw the day of the Festival of Trees
- Park at Cathy Smith's house
- Need to find somewhere for the trailer to park for an event on Sunday
- Andrea in talks with Douro Minor Hockey
- 7-10% profit on all sales

3. School/Staff goals

- Teachers looking to reduce costs of trips for students
- Staff meeting is this Friday, Adrienne will ask

4. Festival of Trees

- November 25th 2023
- no vendors
- Reclaimed Gardens have offered to sponsor a tree
- news letter asking for raffle donations and tree sponsors
- we are not going to buy new road side signs

5. Communication

Newsletter for October

- Advertise festival of trees, request raffle and tree sponsorships, Nicole asked Ashely to provide something to Tanya for the Newsletter

Communication with Parents

- Talked about how to better engage parents through a medium other than Edsby
- Privacy concerns with facebook
- Keith will setup an account Nicole can access without her personal info
- Nicole to call the board and ask about recommended mediums to communicate with parents other than edsby
- Student council will try to communicate more events and info through social media as well

6. Principal's report

- Early intervention teacher - Ms. Hurst

- De-streaming coach Mlle Dubis
- Prep teacher Mrs. Pennelo
- 3 classrooms refurbished and staff room/kitchen
- Disc golf installed additional cost the school covered
- pro-bono landscaping did not progress due to insurance issues with the company offering to do the work. Looking at other options. Not sure who is following up with this? Nicole?
- school improvement goals meeting on Friday
- focus on school climate
- Adrienne will review their goals at our next meeting
- Looking at a student council (Adrienne and Sidney)

Breakfast Program

- Pilar Mollohan and Sarah Van Ryn will be heading up the breakfast program
- IDA donated \$300 dollars to the breakfast program

Elections

- Andrea willing to slide into treasurer in Keith's retirement next year
- poor Ashley no takers for chair.....Ashley will not be back next year so we need to find someone.....
- Holly and Melissa will share secretary

Meeting Dates

Oct 16th 2023 6:00pm Nov 13th 2023 6:00pm Dec 11th 2023 6:00pm