



Education at its best.

MONTELLO SCHOOL DISTRICT

August 14th ,2023
6pm, IMC

Present: Heidi Marshall, Mauri Prouty, Jenny Barganz, Diane Wright, Danielle Campion, Teri Mandel, Sara Wambach, Lucas Stelter

1. Introduction: @ 6pm
2. Board Reports: None
3. New Business
 - a. Open House
 - i. August 24th 4-6 hall outside gym; PTO table with trifold board (made by Mauri) to talk about what the PTO has done; include sign up sheet and volunteer forms
 - b. Scholastic Book Fair (Darnell Campion) PT conference weeks; check with Darnell to see if she will chair this again
 - i. October 23-27 2023
 - ii. February 26-March 1 2024
 - c. Parent teacher conference meals (Hannah Zellmer): Th. Oct. 26; PTO to provide sides, still have water, possible Thrivent grant
 - d. Halloween Candy Handout (Mauri Prouty)
 - i. October 31st: brainstormed ways for PTO to participate with most support for decorating a hallway section and being present with goodies during the Halloween parade; more discussion at next meeting
 - e. Elementary yearbook (Mauri Prouty): Christina approached PTO with request for help with the yearbook; more information about timeline and what is needed will be requested
 - f. Bulletin Boards: Mauri and Heidi have been working on decorating bulletin boards around the school; they are decorating additional boards this year
 - g. Forest lane marquee: we've been asked to help with changing the marquee; it has been cleaned and is now ready; plan on listing events; messages must be approved
 - h. Fundraisers
 - i. Holiday Toy Shop: the PTO will be doing this independently this year; Mauri chair
 1. Vote on Name: "Santa's Hilltop Shop" proposed; bring additional names to next meeting
 2. Date: Danielle suggested we run it as close to the end of classes as possible so things aren't lost at home but watch for testing

windows; L. Stelter thought 12/18-20 would probably work;
reserve Zen Den

- ii. Holiday Concert Bake Sale: good fundraiser; add take and bake items?; advertise it to public outside school community; concert dates may change but currently looking at 12/6, 12/14, 12/20
 - iii. Yard Signs: maybe 70 left; we should try to sell them at football games and Open House (if someone is manning the table)
 - i. PTO school assistance?: school supplies- motion passed to purchase supplies (no crayons!) \$150 each for both FLCS and MS/HS; Jenny to chair; suggestion to revisit mid-year to see what supplies are needed for second half of year
 - j. Green & Gold : FLCS fundraiser: discussion of inflatable fun that had come from proceeds of this fundraiser in the past and if we can get the inflatable rental donated from other sources instead; Danielle cautioned that insurance could be tricky; more info is needed
4. Old Business
- a. Teacher Appreciation Breakfast Cart (Sarah Weber) : very well received but maybe we should do it on a Monday or earlier in the week so it doesn't interfere with other groups
 - b. Bike Rodeo (Heidi Marshall & Mauri Prouty): thank you cards from students received; next year request to invite Lutheran K-2; maybe do mini-course for 4K or pedaling practice; consider doing it on the track instead of the parking lot; we received lots of donations; maybe add station/ presentation with info on how to be a safe bike rider
 - c. Scholarships : 2 \$500 scholarships awarded during scholarship ceremony; we should discuss the amount and any PTO requirements (i.e. volunteer at our events?) for next year's scholarships before Christmas break
 - d. End of year Scholastic book handout (Darnell Champion): books sent home
 - e. County Fair Parking Fundraiser (338\$): good fundraiser and good for awareness of PTO; 2 people could run it

Other:

- Jenny talked about the cans collection located on 22 South of town near O'Malley and Foss Greenhouse; this fundraiser alternates between local groups/ organizations; PTO can be included, we would just need people to load the trailer and bring it to Portage; how much is received depends on current rates but sometimes can be up to \$1000; donation of old dog kennel would be helpful to keep cans contained
 - Heidi started a discussion on increasing PTO awareness by including updates of PTO activities in school newsletters; monthly or weekly memo at FLCS; HS monthly email; also could be on the school website
 - Teri is still doing the facebook reminders; Sara offered her help with graphics
5. Next Meeting
- a. September 11th, 2023 @ 6pm
6. Adjournment