



# Education at its best.

MONTELLO SCHOOL DISTRICT

September 11, 2023

6pm, Imc

1. Introduction: Heidi Marshall (President) 6:03pm
2. Board Reports: Treasurer's report (Jenny Barganz)- no changes since last month
3. New business
  - a. Haunted hallway (Mauri)
    - i. October 31, 8am: We are planning on decorating part of the hall by the office with Halloween decorations such as witches hats, bats, streamers at a place where each class can get their picture taken during the "creativity parade" on Halloween. October meeting to determine what goodies to give out during the parade (ideas: vinyl stickers, tattoos, pencils). Also give out treats during JH/HS lunch. Volunteers will be dressed up and a sign-up sheet will go out next month.
  - b. Operation backpack (Heidi Marshall)

Discussion of adding stations in the community for food donations to the Operation Backpack program (i.e. 2 libraries, banks, offices at school, dollar general, grocery store, etc). Advertise need for specific items each month. There is also a temporary need for help packing the bags on Thursdays or Fridays in the Special Ed room 301 in the back. Volunteers to be contacted by Heidi M.
  - c. Scholastic Book Fair (Darnell Campion)
    - i. October 23-27, 4-6pm: Zen Den not available. Talk of locating it in the library (LMC). Need to check with Roslynde on the space and request tables. We currently have a balance available with Scholastic. Discussion at a later point on using the funds for books for students or the library, or to help outfit classrooms. Volunteer sign-ups for school day help and help during parent-teacher conferences to be sent out (sign-up genius, facebook) in October.
  - d. Parent teacher conference food(Danielle, Hannah ,Sarah W.)

Pot-luck meal for teachers. Admin to provide "main course" (i.e. sandwiches) and PTO to provide "sides". Use funds or grants to purchase a variety of drinks. Food sign-up to come.
  - e. Santa's Hilltop Shop (Mauri)

- i. December 18-20: Dates approved by Lucas Stelter. Location discussed - maybe new "Zen Den" in room 107. We can take a look next month and see if the size will work. Lucas also discussed the benefits of having two fundraisers in the school from the same company (main FLCS fundraiser and PTO Holiday Sale). Negatives of having the holiday shop through an outside company were discussed (i.e. low availability of desired products, shipping delays, higher cost of items for students, lower returns for PTO). We will try running it independently this year and see how it goes. Name discussed and decided: "Hilltop Holiday Shop". Committee formed with Mauri, Diane, Danielle, Jenny
        - f. Holiday Concert bake sales
          - i. December 6,14,20: 6th- choir, 14th- band, 19th or 20th- FLCS Get permission from music department to have the bake sale. Talk to administration for setup
        - g. Bike rodeo
          - i. May 13, 2024 rain date May 20, 2024: Dates confirmed
        - h. Scholarship application form
          - To be discussed at a future meeting- include a time frame to claim the scholarship
4. Old business
  - a. Open house
    - Heidi sat at a table and answered questions
  - b. School supplies
    - Did not purchase supplies because the school got a number of last minute donations. We will consider if supplies are needed midway through the year. Discussed the possibility of supplying snacks for kids who don't bring them since the district is not providing them this year. Lucas Stelter will look into whether the PTO has to meet the same dietary guidelines that the school has to meet when providing snacks
5. Other
  - a. Listening sessions- Lucas Stelter floated an idea of having the PTO be available after meetings to get feedback from families about FLCS. We discussed pairing this with other activities to get more people to come in at these times i.e. a movie or supervised activities in the gym
  - b. Jenny questioned where box tops for education funds go and ways to get people to participate. Instead of cutting the boxes you now only need the app and scan the receipt
  - c. Jenny- cans are ready to be unbagged and brought in if there are people willing to help.
6. Next Meeting
  - a. October 9,2023
7. Adjournment 7:24pm