

## PTO Meeting

December 6, 2022

6:30 call the meeting to order

Minutes from Nov 1 meeting were approved

President Report - Anni Rogers:

Providing snacks to students for after school clubs will start in January

PTO will provide snacks and will not use SLA, Colleen will notify SLA

Vote for approval for purchasing a yearbook ad for \$150 congratulating the seniors – approval

PTO Swag – not many bags sold (13). Committee decided to refund parents who purchased a bag. PTO did purchase tumblers for those who ordered them and a few extras to be sold. Extras will be sold at upcoming open houses at school.

Treasurer's report - Annette:

Amazon smiles update

Teacher grants – teachers should come back to a PTO meeting to give an update on how the money was spent

Scholarships – Colleen will reach out to last year's winners and request unofficial transcript, then Annette will write the checks

Treasurer's report was approved

Discussion on needing to move towards fundraising this year – we should be aiming to fundraise what we are spending per year.

Principal Report – Tara and Colleen:

Hiring a new magnet theme coach – tied to grant the school received

Hiring a TSOL teacher for English language learners

Shark week success – students loved the hot chocolate bar at powderpuff game and the photobooth at homecoming dance

Midterms – purposefully scheduled before break so there is a shut down for students and teachers during winter break.

Seniors field trip to indoor ropes course on 12/9. Seniors also working on a wellness fair with the Health teacher, students will present in January.

Clearer expectations for students for areas in the building – will be posted around the building, focus on teaching behaviors.

Attendance – in order for an excused by parent student needs to bring in a note signed by a parent

Panera Sharkbites – raised \$219.72, next one at Smashburger in Waterford tomorrow 12/7. Future ones include Pickpockets in Groton (January), Chipotle in Groton (February), Mangos in Stonington (March).

Melissa Burdo volunteer to head a fundraiser in April with little ceasers.

Scholarship Committee- Melissa Burdo:

Scholarship promoted in February, due in April. Next PTO newsletter will ask for more volunteers for this committee

Survival Kits - Erica Chandler:

Putting together kits. Distributed 12/15 to students. Extras will go to teachers. Spent \$322.89. Voted to approve the reimbursement.

Staff appreciation – Bartinik. Cookie Swap – hoping to get 2 dozen cookies for each teacher and a \$20 gift card. Need to get more parents to bake cookies.

Student Ambassadors:

Colleen reported for teachers Cronin and DeRosa who are requesting an additional \$253.14 for the shirts that were ordered for the students. The original request was estimated too low. Motion was approved to fund the full amount.

Motion to adjourn 7:40pm