10/4/22 PTO Board Meeting MInute Summary

Treasurer Update: As of October 4, 2022 the cash balance for the PTO is \$76,740.88.

Administrative Reports:

<u>Dr. Palzet:</u> The Pleasantdale School Board has directed for work to begin with consultants and the Pleasantdale Park District to work towards and consider the details of possible development of an Early Childhood Center for the district. The State of Illinois has recognized Pleasantdale Elementary and Middle School as highly ranked among schools throughout the state. The 22-23 summer school program location will be at the elementary school rather than middle school location due to construction projects scheduled to take place during the summer months. Pleasantdale Park District has been made aware of the venue change for the summer programming and is considering how transportation offerings could work.

Ms. Tomei: All school t-shirts have arrived for students. Several new club offerings are now available for students to join. The PTO assisted with the purchase of new picnic tables that are now available for use on the outside of the property. In addition, also purchased by the PTO are new gym mats. These items have also arrived and are now available for use. Also, please note that in the near future, information will be shared with families regarding Parent/Teacher conferences.

<u>Dr. Arundel:</u> The first middle school pep assembly of the year took place and received several positive reviews. The 8th grade committee is working hard to continue with planning. Friday Night Live is scheduled to take place on 10/21 where concessions will be available for purchase. Dates for Fort Nightly have been suggested as 1/20, 1/27. 2/3, 2/10. The 8th Grade Committee is conferring with Dr. Arundel to be sure there is no conflict with these suggested dates.

Committee Reports:

<u>Family Connections Committee:</u> To date we've had 55 new families join Pleasantdale for the '22-'23 school year. A newsletter was shared that outlined how classroom parties and the Halloween parade function, as well as direct links regarding how to volunteer on the various PTO committees.

<u>Cultural Night:</u> We need to choose a date. The committee chair, Megan Welbourne, is open to dates in February and March. Dr. Arundel and Megan will collaborate to find a date that works.

<u>Halloween Hop:</u> The event is set for 10/28 from 5-7pm. The signup Genius has been posted.

<u>Elementary Book Fair:</u> Students will be able to shop during school hours. In addition, times after school the week of 10/17 will be offered, as well as on Saturday 10/22.

<u>Social Committee:</u> The meeting is scheduled to take place tomorrow.

Old Business:

<u>Memberships:</u> PTO memberships continue to be lower than expected. Recruiting for additional members will happen as we publicise about the PTO'S Halloween Hop.

<u>Signs/Magnets:</u> These items will be posted on the PTO webpage as being available for purchase. We are continuing to brainstorm pickup plans for those that place an online order.

Golf Outing: This event was successful and made over \$5500!

<u>School Supplies:</u> Families who made school supply purchases through the PTO vendor helped to generate a profit of \$2177!

<u>Marquee:</u> Families are taking advantage of posting their child's birthday on the middle school marquee. The overall process of collecting birthdays and notifying the middle school of the necessary postings is off to a good start.

New Business:

<u>Book Fairs:</u> The middle school's shopping event is considering different ideas on how to make sales most profitable, as well as most convenient for families. One option for consideration includes keeping the book fair open during the time of middle school Parent/Teacher conferences.

<u>Parent Shopping/Social Events:</u> Ideas on what fundraising event should be planned for the month of November are being discussed. The Social Committee will be called upon to ask for suggestions regarding different possibilities.

<u>Pleasantdale Eats/Workout Class:</u> Approval from Administration has been granted so that a work out class could be offered as a PTO fundraiser using one of the school gyms as a venue.

<u>Trivia Night:</u> Details for this event will be discussed at the Social Committee meeting. The date will be made available once determined.

Art Night: Mrs. Marrari has been contacted so that planning for this event can take place.

Upcoming Events:

10/18-10/22: Elementary Book Fair10/22 Elementary book fair/donut day10/28 Halloween Hop10/31 Halloween Class pirates at elementary11/2 PTO meeting