

Oaklands PTA December General Meeting

December 14, 2020

7:00 PM EST Zoom Meeting

Principals Report- Sam Lynch

Sam is back to responding to emails but continue to cc Jason Taylor. If anyone needs to speak to Sam, he is available by phone as well.

Construction- they are still doing small tweaks to the punch list. The gym will be getting a new floor soon. They just need to decide on one.

Kindergarten welcome- they are thinking about alternatives to in-person, maybe A-synchronous presentation, thinking January 20th with a live Q&A the following week. Hoping something can happen in person in August if not the end of the school year.

Teachers Report- Patti Fitzpatrick

School looks great. The holiday basket recipients were very thankful for all of the food they received.

School Board Liaison- *Maryanne VanHaitsma*

The School Board meet and discussed a new app for when kids return to school, the staff a piloting it now. It is a status check in before entering school.

They approved school of choice which will begin in March.

They said goodbye to 3 board members that had a total of 37 years served between them. And they will welcome the new board members in January.

The addition of 2 ½ new social workers for the district was approved. They will start the hiring process after the holiday.

They have extended the nurses contracts through June 30th. It expired in December.

Received CARES Act money for PPE, supplies, etc. for return to school.

Secretary Report- Rachel Pedraza

November meeting minutes were approved. Motioned by Edith Anttila and seconded by Heather Wege.

One new correspondence from Sean Misel, he sent an email to thank Nellie Harrie and all those who contributed to the Holiday Baskets.

Treasurer Report- Edith Anttila

\$2,200 to savings from checking for the holiday baskets went through.

We received a \$100 anonymous donation for the holiday baskets.

A check for \$35.41 came in from Amazon Smile.

\$116 check received from Blaze pizza from the dine out event.

There are a couple checks that are still not cashed.

Fundraising- Kim Hunter & Emily Kucinich

Dine out events- This Wednesday December 16 at Marcos Pizza, 15% will come back to the PTA. Can order online, carry out or pick up. Olgas dine out event will take place January 19 on Woodward. Will be all day and Kim will update if a flyer or special code is needed. Coney Island has suspended all fundraising.

Shop With Script/Raise Rite- 2 1/2% -18% comes back to the PTA when used. You can order gift cards and use them for your everyday purchases either online or through the app. The gift cards can be reloaded in 30 seconds for

immediate use. There is a 15-cent charge per transaction. When signing up use the school code Oakland.

President Report- *Nellie Harrie*

Heather Wege has volunteered to be the scholarship chair for this spring to help go through scholarships from Royal Oak High School students and help allocate the scholarship money.

Rachel Pedraza has volunteered to head up the nominating committee. One person must be a board member. We are in need of 2 PTA members to join the committee as well. The positions will be posted in March.

Holiday baskets (November)- we had 8 families and they were all very happy with their baskets.

Holiday baskets (December)- we have 7 families that will be picking up their baskets on Thursday December 17, 2020.

Jen Ball was able to get a \$500 gift card from Meijer donated for our holiday baskets! Big "thanks" to her. And a big "thank you" to the anonymous person who donated \$100.

We are trying to come up with ideas to hold virtual events for our families. If anyone has suggestions, please email me at the PTA email.

Committee Update- *Heather Wege*

Nothing to report

Membership- Kristin Brennan

Current membership is at 76. This past month 1 family and 1 individual signed up; each will receive a free 1 lb. bag of coffee. There will be a new advertisement coming out in January.

Open Items-

Kim Hunter- Panera fundraiser in November brought in \$91.10

The next PTA meeting will be held January 11 @ 7:00 pm.

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