

# SEVENTH AVENUE SCHOOL PTO MEETING MINUTES



**DATE:** November 14, 2024, 7:00 p.m.

**LOCATION:** Seventh Avenue School, Library

- I. **Call to Order & Introductions** – Meeting was called to order at 7:00 with welcome and introductions.
- II. **Welcome and President's Report**
  - Kickball Field Update
    - Project is a green light - Hoping to do field improvements before April. There have been interim discussions regarding upkeep, given material costs associated with regular maintenance.
    - Candice has spoken with La Grange Little League, which has expressed interest in making Tball/Peanuts use of the field. They will be able to provide some amount of maintenance during the season and may also be able to pay a modest fee, which could be applied towards field maintenance.
- III. **Principal's Report** – Erin provided an update regarding upcoming events:
  - 11/25 – Students are working towards having a board game event.
  - 11/26 – Likely will do a Bingo. Erin requested a handful of parent volunteers.
- IV. **Teacher's Report** – Mrs. Zeisloft and Mrs. Garland attended and expressed thanks for the Book Fair and gifts to the classroom.
- V. **Other Officer Reports**
  - A. **Secretary**
    - *Action Item* – On a motion properly made and seconded, 10.10.2024 Minutes
    - Proposed Bylaw Amendment – Meredith presented draft language for a proposed amendment to the Bylaws, regarding reimbursement, as well as an overview of process for approving amendment. Following discussion, meeting attendees expressed support for the amendment, which will be officially presented at the January meeting.
  - B. **Treasurer**
    - Financial Report – Patricia was absent but Candice provided brief overview of financials to date.
  - C. **First VP**
    - Continued discussion: Movie event
      - This will be held in January in the School Gym. Discussion held regarding which movie to show and desire to find something that will engage both young kids and old kids.
      - Date will be January 10.
    - Dine & Donate results and other updates
      - Thus far, we have raised ~\$150 on Dine & Donates at Q and Barrell House.
      - Chipotle will be Jan. 7.
  - D. **Ways & Means**
    - Auction Planning – Jean provided a status update. First planning meeting was held earlier this month. Donor targets were identified but Auction Committee is looking for assistance in soliciting donations.

- Tickets will be \$50pp.
- Reminder that room parents are asked to coordinate making a classroom art project that will can be auctioned online. We will request those be completed by Jan. 17.
- Mrs. Zeisloft and Mrs. Garland confirmed that teachers will again be happy to donate events.
- Please continue to think about people who have special talents or connections who could provide special items or experiences for auction

#### **E. School Support**

- Holiday parties – Will be the Friday before break. The teachers pick the time for their party, which vary from room to room.
- Favorite things – Candice reported that these updated lists should be ready soon.
- Holiday teacher lunch – Will be December 18. Teachers reported that they have enjoyed Prasino.
- Fun lunch – Friday, 2/14; Friday, 4/11.

#### **VI. Discussion Items / New Business, *if not covered above***

- Past Events
  - Book Fair – Netted about \$4,500, which will correspond to about \$1800 in book credit.
  - Halloween parties / Taco Truck
- Upcoming
  - December class parties – SASPTO will provide Rice Krispie treats

#### **VII. Open Floor**

- Spirit Wear is 25% off until December 4 (and if ordered by then, will arrive by 12/24)
- Michelle Villar raised whether we could do some kind of calendar or listing of upcoming events/dates.
- No December meeting.

#### **VIII. Adjourn – Meeting was adjourned at 8:00.**