

Myer's PTO Meeting November 5, 2019
Welcome (Mrs. Russell)

Leadership Vacancies:

The PTO has a critical need to fill the president and vice president positions. Due to our bylaws the school district will not allow the PTO to continue without these positions filled.

Interested candidates spoke:

- Monique Jalca, Miranda Figuero, Mandie Allen and Brenda Chapin all spoke.
 - Mandie would prefer the Vice-President position,
 - Monique and Miranda preferred co-positions and Brenda is willing to step forward to help in a more formal role.
- Board noted that a volunteer coordinator would be helpful too if everyone is willing to take on board positions.
- Miranda and Monique were nominated and voted in as co-presidents.
- Mandy Allen was nominated and voted in as Vice-President.
- Many thanks for stepping forward to keep PTO solvent!

New meeting attendees were welcomed and board introductions provided:

- Heather Oswalt-Stricklin is our treasurer.
- Jill Naughton is our secretary.
- Sarah Stone is communications.
- Hannah Swanson is hospitality.
- Grant Kendall and Traci Fast are co-fundraising chairs.

Jog, Jump & Jive-aThon update:

- The celebration assembly has been moved to Friday at 2:45 p.m.
 - Volunteers are needed to help hand out prizes/set up.
- Amount counted so far is over \$10,000 (final figure coming soon).
- Appreciation was mentioned for the gym teachers who came up with the concept and coordinated event logistics.
 - The event was a great success and the kids had a blast.
- Small businesses that sponsored the event and/or are supporting Myers were mentioned: Baskin Robbins, Figaro's, Edward Jones, Dairy Queen, Chuck E. Cheese, Sodexo, Salem Electric, Kroc Center.
 - Please thank these business owners and give them your business.

Book Fair:

- Set up this Thursday,
- ***An electronic sign up is available on the PTO website and on the Facebook group page.***

Parent/Teacher Conferences:

- Hannah helps provide coffee, but help with delivery is needed for one of the days.
- Volunteers needed to bring desserts, creamer, cups, etc. to go with pizza that is provided.
- Kelly Lambert mentioned that other food like soups and salads might be a welcomed substitute for pizza on one of the days.
 - Julie Brewster noted that in the past crockpots get left over the long weekend, so recommends that if pizza is substituted, it be on the first day to ensure food doesn't spoil in the staff room over the break.
 - Hannah not able to be present for tonight's meeting so board will circle back with her (pizzas may already be donated, etc.) to see how we should proceed.
- ***Sign-ups will be sent out electronically.***

Communications Updates:

- We have a private Facebook group, and several members discussed the benefits of a public page where people without Facebook accounts can see the posts, as well will make the PTO more accessible and inviting to new parents.
- Board is looking at how to make it more clear how parents can request agenda items and what constitutes a PTO matter versus a personal issue that should be handled directly with a teacher or the school administrators.
- Concerns about the policing of the Facebook page discussed.
- With the new structure that would come with the Facebook business page, there would be a button where people can send messages to the PTO privately.

Teacher Request - Choir Field Trip and Sheet Music:

- There is \$200 approved in the budget already, but about \$200 more dollars is being requested.
- PTO voted.
 - PTO voted "no" in approving the additional funds.
- Ms. Sokoloff is encouraged to contact the fundraising co-chairs if she finds that the choir parents are unable to fill the gap.

Teacher Request - YEEP program for (?) grade:

- \$75 for the YEEP assembly, \$25 for each class.
- PTO voted.
 - PTO voted "yes" and approved these funds.

Movie Night:

Mandie is willing to coordinate movie night.

Please check the Myer PTO website to sign up for all volunteer opportunities. Thank you!