Allen Parent Council Agenda

October 10, 2018

6:00-7:00

Attendees: Michele Barkoot, Sukhinder Sandhu-Deol, Megan Cross, Elizabeth Wilkinson, Kristen LaVasseaur, Heidi Kussurelis, Danielle Hiemstra, Elizabeth Peters, Cara Crisostomo, Adrian Dantzer

6:00 Call the meeting to order

6:01 Fun Run update:

Spread the word! Flyers went home last week with an envelope, and more will go home this week and the following weeks. The donation option is open to others outside of the school (friends, family, neighbors, etc.), and cash / check is always a great option to avoid paying or covering the fees on the website.

As of today we have $7,296.30 which is 36% of our goal.

118 students have registered (or I have registered them by inputting their

in-school donations) meaning 87 students have raised the $7,296.30

out of 430 students in the school. (31 are registered, but have raised $0)

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Launch: September 26th with assembly at school: Kids had fun at the Assembly.

We have uploaded the video onto our website: [www.allenpc.org](http://www.allenpc.org) where they can watch it again at home.

The assembly went well, but the audio on the video was poor. Asked teachers to replay in class and it’s also posted on the website. The video only has kids in it if we could ask parents directly because we didn’t know the photo release info at that time (some families do not want pictures of their kids in print and video.)

Fun Run Date: October 24th (Also an early release day)

* We need help setting up the stations. Spread the word on the sign-up-genius!
* We need water bottles, popsicles, pizza donations. Heidi Kussurelis will donate small frisbees. We need help with pizza donations. Michele Barkoot will contact Hungry Howie’s.
* We need more donations for the raffle (our license allows $500 in raffle items.)
  + Airtime: 4 free jump cards
  + Revel and Roll: 10 one hour game cards & $150 value of a 2 hour party room rental with 10 game cards
  + Hands on Museum: Family Fun pack of 4 free tickets
  + Blaze pizza: 3 gift bags
  + We need more. Can people help find donations? Can we take a part of our proceeds to purchase some toys. Learning Express will donate if we take in our info on letterhead. Zap Zone is donating, and we’re also getting a stuffed hedgehog to go along with the incentive.
* We need volunteers to help run the stations smoothly
  + Sign-up genius <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0D4EAFAC28A0FD0-funrun1>

Closing date: November 2nd with goal of $20,000

6:30 Event updates

1. Airtime Fundraiser made a little over $600. Have 2 more events with them in Jan & Apr.
2. National walk/bike to school day was today! Kids should have received a sticker and a high-five.
3. Noodles & Co. (50% back to Allen) Thursday October 18th. Must provide 2 crafts.
4. Spirit wear orders due Friday October 19th. Currently have around 60 orders. We keep prices low and make minimal money on each order.
5. Trunk or Treat October 27th. Will be from 1-3 PM. Will be outside in the lower loop again, with additional games, etc. Will sell cider and donuts again. Looking into cider and donut donations.
6. Parents night out at Townie Brewery November 5th 5:00-8:00pm. Will sell tamales, we will earn $2 from every pint we buy, plus 20% to the school for any merchandise we buy. On Liberty by Chela’s. Not a lot of parking, but parking near-by.
7. November 6th – Chuck E. Cheese from 3 pm – close. 20% to the school from food purchases.

7:00 Closing comments or questions

1. Green School Initiative – we need to promote more to parents and kids as many are not aware. We will have a kick-off assembly Nov 15th which is also America Recycles Day. Could teachers also point out the recycling station to the kids on the way to lunch? We will also have an Earth Day celebration in April that will include a zero-waste lunch. The Ecology Center has information that coincides with the benchmarks our teachers have. We should encourage teachers to do this! Crayons that are recycled are melted down and donated. Markers are taken back by Crayola and recycled. Green team is also supposed to start up with teachers and students soon. There are 4 compost bins outside of the cafeteria that teachers can empty their small compost containers in. Not all teachers are participating.
2. School Play – we are currently working on securing a director. An idea is to rotate through 4 plays. What are the expectations? We want the kids to learn the terminology and feel more prepared going into middle school. We are narrowing down dates as we don’t want to compete with Tappan Players and other local plays.
3. Field Trips – teachers know we want more. Talked about this at curriculum night, and are working on more trips.
4. New 5th Grade Teacher – Sara Wheat is starting Oct. 22nd. She will be moving into Mrs. Basuni’s room.
5. Other Fund Raising Ideas – Should we consider an envelope drive? These haven’t worked in the past, but may consider if for next year. Use PayPal more, and remind people donating is tax deductible (get in last minute donations before year end). Ask family & friends. Can people volunteer and bring their young kids along – YES! Perhaps create classroom barometers, or an online barometer.