



**Susick PTO Monthly Meeting
Wednesday November 8, 2023
Virtual via WebEX**

Attendance:

Board Members: Christina Coppola-Hanna, Crystal Standerwick, Jolynn Stucky, Susie Bellos
Members: Jennie Phipps, Jessica Hayes, Lisa Maynard, Jenine
Staff: Michele Babbish, Cathy Cushard, Anne MacKenzie, Rikki Mutter,

Welcome/Call to order at 6:36pm – President, C. Coppola-Hanna

Financials Update – Treasurer, J. Stucky

Current amount in savings: \$3,134.15

Just received \$180 from additional Chocolate sales Crystal S. is selling from last spring's surplus.

Fall Festival – Recap/Thank you!!

- Most attended Fall Festival
- Generous amount of candy donated
- 23 vehicles participated in Trunk or Treat
- Food vendors were a big hit
- Received percentage of sales back from 3 of the vendors. Still awaiting to see if the rest will donate for tax write-offs. They have been given notes of participation.
- Deposited \$448 from sales. No net loss/gain determined yet.
- Voted to purchase the basketball hoop from C. Coppola-Hanna to use at other functions
 - o Just need to have adult supervision at all times on the basketball station. Many students were abusing the game by whipping basketballs hard at the backboard, throwing them from further distances and using the gym's basketball hoop amongst the crowd of people. At one point balls were taken away for the night because of this behavior.

Susick Dragon Sticker – they arrived!!

Material: Reusable StickleMe

Lamination: UV Protection

Size: 3" x 2.5"

We will sell each one for \$2. We sold a few at conferences.

Currently selling them on our website for a special rate of \$1

Holiday Shop

- Monday Dec. 11th – Parent Preview Night
- Tuesday Dec. 12 & Wednesday Dec. 13 – Student Shopping during the day

- We have actual vendors come in and sell their goods – for students prices don't go over \$5. For parent preview night they are allowed to sell them at cost.
- We have about 6-8 vendors participating. A message went out last week, still waiting to hear back from more. They all will be sending in background checks.
- They pay \$30 for a spot and \$5 for renting a table.
- Teachers will sign-up for ½ hour slots
- Will be asking Susick community to donate wrapping paper, tags and tape!
- Need volunteers to make gift bags out of wrapping paper before the event
- Need volunteers to help wrap gifts during the event

Snack Shack – November and on:

Will try to get a signup genius setup for parents to send in donations to fill the Susick Snack Shack for staff members

Holiday Ideas for Teachers – December

- Asked everyone for ideas including the teachers' on the call.
- No new ideas at this point, but they did like the various theme days we did in the past.
- We will work on a few of those that were favorites

Fundraisers:

- **Sticker Sales –**
 - o Possibly November 28th & 29th – proceeds will cover the cost of taxes from the Scholastic book fair
- **Next Popcorn Friday – November 17**
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Next big event:

Glow Dance – February 9, 2024

Principal's Report

- Picture retake day on 11/28/23
- Report cards will now be delivered electronically this year. Need everyone to sign up in their parent portals to retrieve the report cards
- Donor Mr. Bedde will be donating significant funds in honor of his son Jetin again this year. –
 - o Asked for a birthday celebration with the whole school. During lunch on November 13, will be providing pizza, cupcakes and juice to all students. A note is going home Friday.
 - o He is also donating soccer nets and money to Ms. Baker for her to purchase books about soccer since this was his son's favorite sport.
 - o And will contribute money to the ecology club to keep the front area flower/shrub bank filled with mulch and flowers/plants
 - o Will also place a commemorative garden stone in that area for his son as well
 - o Won't be going into great detail about who the donor is or why he donates with the elementary students
- Note on Bloomz reviewing parking lot procedures again
- New secretary – Mrs. Simpson

Teachers' Report

- Cathy Cushard – wanted to add that it looked like everyone had such a wonderful time at the Fall Festival. Her boys had a blast. Everyone was in great moods. The costumes were great. All the adults were super festive and excited. It was a really fun event
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Open Floor

- Jolynn Stucky asked to add a second popcorn Friday in December to make up for low popcorn days in November – we will do that.
- Motion to skip the December meeting because of the Holiday Shop and holiday break – all agreed
- Susie Bellos asked the next meeting be a day other than Wednesday. We will move our January meeting to Tuesday January 9th – both in person and virtual.
- Discuss a few details about vendors for the Glow Dance coming up. Will look into securing those that expresses interest. Asked everyone to think of additional ideas to bring to January meeting.
- Anne MacKenzie asked what the profit is from popcorn sales. – We are averaging 250-300 boxes each sale day. Supplies cost around \$30-\$40 dollars, so a net of approximately \$210 on the low end.
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Next Meeting: Tuesday January 9, 2024

Meeting adjourned: 7:16pm