
Grayhawk PTO

Friday, 8/12/16

Attendees

Susan Matura, Kristin Klecka, Tina Williams, Mimi Sadeghi, Debbie Peterson, Kathy Bays-Cook, Katrina Bradley, Bettina Reiter, Penelope Plache, Mary Ellen Craddock, Rustina Knutson, Andrea Walther, Tara McFeely, Mandy Chapin, Michelle Alessio, Lindsay Wing, Mariann Nystrom, Jenn Wood, Kelly Dobson, Holly Martz

President's Report- Susan Matura

"Let's Get Better Together"

- **Grayhawk Fundraisers**
 - A few years ago we moved away from "selling" fundraisers
 - We are now doing more effective fundraisers
 - We focus on 3 Fundraisers throughout the year
 - Fall Festival
 - Lynx Laps- (jog-a-thon)
 - All students participate
 - 100% of donations go straight to PTO because it is run by PTO
 - Fine Arts and Auction Night
 - Money raised from fundraisers goes towards all of the extra things that the state does not fund. We have very low state funding so the money PTO raises is extremely important for our school.
 - We give money to teachers every year to get their classrooms prepared.
 - Core Knowledge is not a state funded curriculum so we pay for CK teacher trainings, projects, events that happen at school, etc.
 - Fundraising packets will be coming home with oldest child
 - **Introduction of the Board**
 - President- Susan Matura
 - Vice President- Jenn Woods
 - PTO Treasurer- Andrea Walther
 - Room Parent Treasurer- Katrina Bradley
 - Secretary- Kristin Klecka
 - Communications Chair- Brooke Morrison
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- Looking for help on website
 - Development Chair- Need to fill position
 - Lynx Family Events- Shannon Christie
 - Hospitality Chair- Rustina Knutson
 - Will need help with recommendations, set up/clean up, etc.
 - Next event is during conference week- dinner for teachers
 - Community Representative- Holly Martz
 - Walk to School Day
 - Looking for ideas to help make it fun and successful
 - Will need helpers on the morning of
 - Open to any input!
 - Hero's Day
 - Luncheon to recognize heros
 - Looking for any input
 - Room Parent Coordinator/Teacher Liaison- Debbie Peterson
 - If you are interested in being a room parent get in touch with your child's teacher
 - Tuesday, August 23rd- Room Parent Meeting
 - Looking for a "specials" room parent (PE, Music, Art, STEM)
 - Dad's Club Rep- Mark Elsenhut
 - Way for Dad's to get involved
 - Dad's come to recess to play with kids, help with events, etc.
 - United Parents Council- Danelle Kelling
 - Responsible for attending monthly district meetings
 - Meetings are open to anyone and have very interesting speakers
- **Committees**
 - Art Masterpiece- Cinde O-Hare
 - Every month Art Masterpiece puts on a presentation in every grade
 - Parents responsible for teaching a lesson (already written for you) and facilitating an art project.
 - Great way to get involved in the classroom
 - Need grade level coordinators for 3rd grade and kindergarten
 - Auction- Cari Green
 - Fine Arts and Auction night at the end of March
 - Bingo Night- Kristen Ward
 - Will need help the evening of
 - Birthday Club- Bernadette Baker
 - Book Fair- Nina LaRue
 - Will need a lot of help because one of the co-chairs moved this summer
 - Box Tops- Bettina Reiter

- There will be 4 collection periods
- Each classroom will have a parent in charge of box tops
- Bulletin Boards- Melody Jones
- Copy Cats- Nicole Sehnal
 - Parents sign up to help make copies for teachers
 - Need a lot of help!
 - Can be done on your own time
- Dining Out- Need to Fill Position
 - We work with area businesses to plan “nights out”.
 - A percentage of the sales comes back to the school
- eNews- Lisa Iacono
 - Everyone should be signed up!
 - An email is sent out every Monday afternoon telling you about school news
- Fall Festival- Kelly Dobson
 - October 21st from 5:00-8:00pm
 - First big event of the school year
 - Lots of fun activities, bouncy houses, face painting, food, etc.
 - Great way to celebrate the year
 - In need of A LOT of parent help
 - If we all chip in it will make the event fun for everyone
 - There will be an ambulance and police officer on sight for safety
- Fine Arts Night
 - Mimi Sadeghi volunteered to be the chair of Fine Arts Night!!
 - Will work closely with Art Masterpiece coordinator
 - There are many sub committees as well
- Friday Treats- Cari Green
 - Need someone to help for a half an hour after school on Fridays to supervise the Friday Treats
- Heartstrings- Debbie Peterson
- Library- Marianne Nystrom
 - Good way to help kids without being in the classroom
 - Need volunteers to:
 - Put library back together from students misplacing books
 - Help the students find appropriate books during their class period
- Lynx Laps- Bernadette Baker and Lisa Iacono
 - Thursday, November 17th
 - Need a lot of help both before the event and the day of
- Movie Night- Shannon Christie
 - January/February

- Need help setting up, selling food, etc.
- PTO Bin- Bernadette Baker
- Savings Program- Bettina Reiter
- School Pictures- Shanna Lehman
 - We have a chair but we could use someone to work with the current chair to learn how it works.
- School Supplies- Mary Ellen Craddock
- Spiritwear- Kathy Bays-Cook
 - Would like to hold a contest once a month. In need of some help counting students wearing spiritwear during lunchtime. Class with the most wearing spiritwear will win a prize.
 - Could also use help with orders
- Storia Coordinator- Mary Ellen Craddock
- **Teacher Experiences- In need of a committee chair**
 - Happens in January/February
 - Responsible for contacting teachers to discuss what experiences they want to raffle off to their students. Also will be in charge of running the raffle.
- Volunteer Coordinator- Jenn Wood
- Website- Brooke Morrison
- Yearbook- Jen Izenstark
 - Need help taking pictures of events at school
 - Do not need a fancy camera but cannot use iPhone
 - Would also be open to help with design
 - Every class will have a class photographer
 - This year all ordering will be done online

Next Meeting

Tuesday 9/13/16 at 1:00pm