

Fox Hollow PTO Meeting October 13, 2023 8:15 AM

MISSION STATEMENT

The Fox Hollow PTO exists to build strong relationships between parents, teachers and students, to provide essential funding to help enrich all students' academic experience, while creating a strong school community through social events and activities.

PTO Board Quorum/Attendance

Attendees

Jill Armayor, Sara Olmsted, Tim Pray, Shannon Hachmeister, Candace Tompkins, Bonnie Weeber, Megan Miller, Lisa Deickman, Melissa Smith, Angel St. Pierre

President

- President's Update:
 - Vote on Meeting Minutes 9/18/23 Approved
 - Welcome Megan Miller, our new VP Community & Wellness
 - Communications with Preschool no paper, they send everything over SeeSaw.
 - o Ways to save money -
 - o Updated Org Chart & Open Board Positions

Principal

- Principal's Update. Melissa Smith
- 10/27 all school assembly. Grandview choir, orchestra and band coming. Celebrating the arts at Grandview
 - o Report cards go home electronically

Treasurer

- Treasurer's Update
- No budget finalized. <Tim> trying to catch up from RTTM and will have the budget updated over fall break

Secretary/ Social Media

Social Media Updates
 65% open rate for newsletter

Hospitality

- Stock the Fridge (Fall Conferences) SignUpGenius to Sara and will be provided to Angel via Google doc.
- Kindergarten Coffee and Veterans Day Tea Co-Chair Mary Flint has agreed to cochair the Veterans Day Tea event for this year as well as be the chair next year for both Kindergarten Coffee and Veterans Day Tea. However, she has a conflict with Kindergarten Coffee on actual day of event (discuss options for help with setup). Could Lisa come in and help when not a FHE parent anymore? – MS said yes.
- Veterans Day Tea when would Ashley like to meet to start planning event
 - Ashley requested a committee from teachers
 - o Waiting until after fall break to start planning.
 - Save the date for newsletter
 - Girls Scouts invited can have all levels
- Staff Favorite Things Lists preschool and new staff members are now included on PTO website page
 - Sara sent Angel email asking to double check staff

Social Events

- Trunk or Treat 10/27- Update
 - How to do payment for the pizza. Use PTO debit card reach out to Jackie
 - o Consolidating sign-ups since there are 4. Less places to click
 - o 9 teachers/trunks. No 4th grade
 - Advertise pizza
- Fox Trotters reserved the gym? Check with Jackie

Communications

Directory:

- Michelle to send complete Directory to Ashley on 10/11 to be approved and emailed to Fox Hollow staff on 10/13 to share electronically with Fox Hollow families
 - Link to PDF get communication from teacher

Yearbook:

- Yearbooks sold to date: 49
- PTO fundraiser to date: \$167.09
- Pre-k will be included in the yearbook
- 10% discount applied on all orders through 10/31

Photography:

- Begin requesting pictures families have taken at school events to share with yearbook
 - o Two Options for Families: Email yearbook Gmail or post in TreeRing

November HOA Newsletter:

- Fox Hollow Spirit Night at any Panda Express location across the US on 11/17
- No School Thanksgiving Break 11/23-11/25
- Stock the Fridge Conference Week 10/30-11/3
- Veteran's Day Tea 11/9
- No Dogs/Safety & Crosswalks
- Stay up to date with latest news: PTO Website link, PTO Facebook, PTO Instagram

Updated Communications Process with Front Office:

- PTO Board and PTO Chairs will take part in this updated process
 - o Emailed PTO Board (10/2) detailing this process
 - VPs asked to email this process to their chairs
- Shared document link:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/19nGTMUBMLKEfSLhFnpvehOuWF1oNpGM 48evV9Gta9ds/edit?usp=sharing

- Can also access in PTO Shared Google Drive: FHE_PTO_Master_Share >
 Committees/Chairs > Communications > PTO Communications Requests for Front Office
- Type of Communications to include in this shared document:
 - Approval Requests/Questions for Ashley
 - Include text/links in table in shared document
 - Fox Files Newsletter to share with FHE Staff
 - Include images (jpg) with link(s) below in shared document
 - If you have text to share, please take a screenshot of the text and include any links below the image in the shared document
 - Schoolwide Texts to FHE Families
 - Include text/links in shared document
 - Marquee
 - Include images in png format with 16:9 widescreen (Canva or PowerPoint) in shared document
- Include info in shared document by Thursday, end of day
 - Ashley will respond to approvals/questions in the shared document by end of day on Friday
 - If you have an approval request or question, be sure to check back to view Ashley's comments/approval in the shared document
- Please email foxhollowcommunicationsvp@gmail.com if you have any questions!

- We have 6 year long sponsors and about 6 quarterly sponsors totaling about \$7,600, goal to get 3 more quarterly sponsors
- I9 Sports- agreed to purchase Halloween candy & give us a free season of sports in exchange for participating in Trunk or Treat
- Sponsors logos are saved here: <u>2023-2024 Sponsorship Logos Google Drive</u>
- 2nd quarter sponsors (October 31-January 13). These logos need to be on all 2nd quarter marketing materials: Wolf Law, Village Ortho, Lubos, Kumon, Cottage Care, David Armayor Group, Z Ultimate
- Jenny to reach out to existing sponsors to invite them to Trunk or Treat, and 1st quarter update e-mail to go out

Fundraising

Running to the Max Update

- Total Amount Raised: \$54,824
 - Less 60+ kids from previous years
- Net Amount Raised? Not yet
- o Prizes and certificates were distributed this week (10/9)
 - Gave gift certificates for pizza parties and games
 - Razor and Nintendo Switch given out yesterday.
- o Chicken and egg will still appear at assembly on Friday, October 27
- o Any feedback on how we can improve for next year?
 - Do lap cards in even numbers, have all lap card markers around finish line
 - Assemble staff run committee in March- get their feedback before summer break
- What about no shirts on Run Day and you get a shirt as a part of a prize for just registering.
 - Parents missing individual awards and wish they had some
 - More goals like half way or reaching goal with a school wide prize
 - Color run? Get color packets for each level you send

Spirit Wear

- Cart out every Friday last sale \$116
- Will have a truck at ToT with a banner and cart

Spirit Nights

- o Howdy's- we will receive a check for \$102 (10% of sales)
- o Panda Express is on November 17th
 - This is a **nationwide** fundraiser and 28% comes back to the school!
 - Make sure you tell friends and family even from afar

Loyalty Programs

American Furniture Warehouse- check for \$891.15

Community & Wellness

Garden expansion

Colorado foundation grant - denied

Garden closed to students due to destruction

- Students discovered teacher bin lock was broken. Bin wash getting trashed and supplies lost or broken temporary lock in place. Looking into ways to fix or replace bin.
- Students were digging into garden bed that had been replanted to produce fall radishes, spinach. Tore apart
- create a raised garden bin, and ground level with leftover trex deck and place over in extension to try and keep them away from beds
- Rethinking educational pieces in garden expansion.
- Bird watching camera may not be a good idea. Sits on 6' pole would students shake?

Waiting on district to fix fence and get proposal for Message board (remaining TerraCycle fund).