

# Cottonwood PTA Meeting

October 4, 2022

## Pledge

In Attendance: Cindy, Jennifer Young, Melanie Hernandez—SBO Secretary, Judith Campbell, Tristan Nielson, Principal Douglas

1. Sign Ethics/Conflict of Interest Policy & Basic Fiscal Management Procedures
2. Review CHS PTSA Board—need to update board on website;
3. Teacher Grants due in two weeks: awarded by October 21. Mr. Douglas sent a reminder to get applications in. Have 4 so far.
4. Volunteers—thanks for all those who helped with pictures & snacks for parent teacher conferences. Brenda Finlison is the hospitality rep
5. SBO Sec Melanie Hernandez—
  - a. Charity drive coming up—Animal shelters; thinking of ways to raise money: 5k race, grilled cheese night; car show; candy grams;
  - b. Nov 14-18: cultural night in the works; Melanie will let PTA know how we can help at our next meeting.
  - c. October 28, Friday--Monster Mash—Halloween/spooky theme; inner courtyard; costume contest; pumpkin carving contest; girls ask dance;
  - d. October 21, Trunk-or-Treat: 6:00 p.m.—set up at 4:00. Will be held inside. Hot chocolate table provided by PTA (put on by Latinos in Action). Jennifer Young and Judith Campbell will bring big igloo coolers. Elementary schools are invited. They had about 500 last year. Expecting a bigger turnout this year. They would like candy donations. We will send out a sign-up genius for this. There is a monster box in the office to put donated candy in.
    - i. Elementary schools invited: Oakwood, Woodstock, Spring Lane, Twin Peaks, Lincoln
    - ii. Mr. Coleman is the point person on this—Judith will be in contact with him.
    - iii. 20 booths—clubs & sports teams—wear uniforms
  - e. Winters dance is boys ask and all Juniors will attend dance for free for winning the competition games at the Homecoming Assembly.
6. Picture Day feedback—graduation gown may be a better way to go with seniors; more gender neutral. Or let the kids know there will be shawl or a tux in pictures so they are prepared. Better communication.
7. Mike Douglas
  - a. Faculty meetings: 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of every month; next mtgs. November 21<sup>st</sup>, December 19<sup>th</sup>, Tues. January 17, Tues. Feb. 21, March 20, April 17, May 15—2:25 p.m. Treats from PTA should be here by 2:00. Plan on 85 treats. (4 dozen each for two people). Give them to Kacie or Caroline in the front office.
  - b. Caroline Ramos is the new front office receptionist/bilingual—speaks Spanish.
  - c. Community council approved adjustment to dress code. Will permit hats—Baseball hats or beanies— without anything vulgar, offensive or drugs/alcohol represented; no prolife.

- d. Cottonwood High TAP; Tardy and Absenteeism; incentivizing good attendance. Will start charging for tardies/absence—truancy fine: \$2 to \$5 or work them off, or won't be able to go to any event that requires a ticket.
8. Budget: If you shop on Amazon, sign up with Amazon Smiles—it is Amazon's way to give back and to have money donated straight from Amazon to Cwood based on your total purchase amount.
- a. Actual proposed budget: \$12,465.00/ currently have \$12,537.16.
  - b. Budget approved by all in attendance

Next Meeting: Tuesday November 8 at 10:30 a.m. (note: this is the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday)