

Douglas T Orchard Elementary PTA
Friday February 5th 1:15 p.m. via Zoom

Attending: Crista Holt, Vicki Platt, Traci Farley, Amanda Young, Jennifer Villalpando, Lisel Zito

- Principal's Report
 - Crista heard about the availability of MemberHub at the regional meeting and wondered whether or not that was something we should look into. Amanda said that the last time we looked into it there were a lot of fees and there isn't enough we could use it for to make it worth it right now. It may be something to look into for the future
- Treasurer's Report
 - Current balance: ending balance as of 12/31 \$10,732.06 with one pending check (#496) for \$51.72 making the balance \$10,680.34.
 - Recent transactions: upcoming check for the teachers journals for teacher appreciation \$104.86, La Fountain \$250, Zupa's \$131.97
- President's Report
 - Amanda summed up our plan for SEP meals - meals will be provided Monday and Tuesday. Lisel will take care of Monday (sandwich, veggie, cheese & grape platters from Winco with soup from Zupa's), Jenn will place an order for Tuesday with La Fountain. She will send a spreadsheet to Vicki to get orders from teachers by today so that the order can be placed Monday morning. Lisel will get dessert and water for both days. We have enough paper goods in the closet.
- Previous Business
 - Drive-through luminary went well, was fun, and seemed successful. We had a great amount of volunteers help us with set-up and clean-up and everything was quick and easy. We donated a huge bin of food to the GEF for the Souper Bowl of Caring.
- Upcoming Business
 - PTA Elections
 - We are in need of a nominating committee with an odd number of people on it
 - We discussed some possible names of those who may be willing Mary Jane, Faith Gordon, Faith Clark, Stacy Olschewski, Megan Percival, Jamie Betker could be possibilities - Amanda said she would reach out to to some of them to see if they are willing to be on a nominating committee
 - Crista has the name of one parent who expressed interest in PTA and wanted someone to answer some questions for her. She will forward us her name and contact info.

- We need the teachers to get us lists of good volunteers/parents that they think might help with PTA. We could give these names to the Nominating Committee for them to contact.
- Spirit Nights:
 - Amanda asked about scheduling some spirit nights with local restaurants. Crista is good with scheduling one, but not multiple with the fundraiser and other constraints on families. Amanda will reach out to get one scheduled.
- Fundraiser:
 - The fundraiser sign-up fee has been paid for already (with money from the last time we did it). Lisel has been in touch with Maria Miles (from Get Movin' Fundraising) and has some resources and ideas to look for on how to hold a successful fundraiser during the pandemic. It was agreed that a read-a-thon would be a good idea since it can be done regardless of weather, with distance learning and in-person kids, and gathering/social distancing guidelines. Maria suggested some fun ideas to keep kids motivated and excited (masked reader each night on FB Live, etc). We discussed some possible dates. Traci is going to look in to when the Road to Success read-a-thon is to see if we could do it in conjunction with that. She will get back to us on those dates and we will plan a date from there. Lisel will compile some ideas of incentives, etc. to everyone.
- Teacher Appreciation:
 - Last year we changed the dates, but it looks like this year the national dates (May 3-7) will work fine since there are no conflicts with the fundraiser or kindergarten testing
- Future Meetings:
 - From now until the end of the school year we will hold a regular meeting on the first Friday of each month at 1:15 (April will be moved to the second week because of Spring Break)

Meeting adjourned 1:46 pm