

PTO Meeting - November 10th, 2015

Attendance:

Mariann England
Noemi Mutz
Eileen Baas
Ashley Burnett
Carol VanderWoude

Kirsten Dodge
Tami Zuiderveen
Paula Gentry
Renee Vargas
Edana Deas

Minutes:

Mrs. Baas open in prayer

Christmas Parade:

Theme of the Parade - "The Music of Christmas"

Students are to wear Trimont Uniforms and walk behind a truck with banners with the school logo. We are passing out candy canes with "The Legend of the Candy Cane" message attached.

Try to get a truck to carry small children and play music. Add leftover Trimont balloons to the truck.

People committed to being there: Ashley Burnett, Kirsten Dodge, Carol Vanderwoude, Edana Deas

Send out email and flyers in advance with an RSVP on RenWeb.

Box Tops:

Mariann England's Family will be in charge of box tops and labels this year.

Printer/Toner Rebate:

Packing Party suggested. Mrs. Rodewald in willing to oversee this project long term. Mrs. Gentry suggested having the FHS National Honor Society come and volunteer hours to complete this project. FHS contact is Susan Allen. A tentative date of Dec. 3rd is set for the packing party.

The next PTO Meeting will be Jan. 12th.

Fundraisers:

Dominoes Cards were suggested, but it was decided that until the Trimont Cards were sold, we would not try to sell anymore cards. It was suggested that the Middleschool take a field trip around town to sell the trimont cards. Offer teacher/classroom incentive for the most cards sold.

Learn2Earn was suggested as a possible fundraiser. It was decided that we would do this fundraiser. The kick-off day will be January 14th. This is will be called Hibernation Day! Everyone in the school may come in their pajamas and bring books to read. The whole day will be reading and talking about books. The fundraiser will run for one month and end on February 12th. The preschool will be involved in this fundraiser as well.

The Christmas store was mentioned, but agreed it was too late to do that this year.

Pie sales for Christmas was presented. It is still possible. Check to see if Kelly is donating her time. Updates to come.

It was proposed that next year we do a Saturday Pie making day with families putting together pies that were ordered. All ingredients donated. See Carol Vanderwoude for details.

It was asked what the purpose of the PTO was.

- To support teachers
- Raise funds and decide how to use funds
- Public Relations and Involvement
- Improve communication with parents and teachers
- Set goals and collaborate about school improvement

Philanthropy:

It was suggested that philanthropy be taught to the students of the school, and they be given opportunities to serve in the community. It was suggested that in addition to the school events, families could post opportunities that their local churches were endeavoring on and students and families could show up in uniform to help with events.

The Care-Net food drive was suggested and agreed upon. It will be Nov.16-Nov.20. The winning class will deliver the good to Care Net.

The Shop-with-a-Cop coat drive was suggested and agreed upon. Any size coat will be accepted, new or used. Michelle Angel will collect coats from the school and take to the site. The coat drive will be Nov. 30th - Dec. 11th.