

August 28, 2017
Unofficial GPO meeting

Lyn:

Talent Show:

- Why are we paying for new things? Spoke with Jonathan Dowling about Student Council. They sponsor the Field Day and usually raise funds through Dances and the Talent Show. The dances only bring in about \$100 and the Talent Show money is given to teachers as a stipend.
- There is no stipend in the school budget for the Talent Show
- Can we give a fixed amount each year?

Enrichment:

- Music Teacher will be doing the Showcase Junior. She will get back to us if she has time for the Ukulele enrichment.
- Yoga is ready to go
- Could the GPO officers pick a month or two and create an enrichment class that doesn't cost us money? Charge the parents \$10 per child to help raise money. Each officer will take a week.
- Steve Norton will be conducting Japanese Club and Chess Club
- Homework Club is only for students with Title 1 or an IEP. The principal would like to include all students. If the school can't pay, can GPO run it and charge parents to pay the teachers. Any residual money can go to the GPO.

Communication with Parents:

- Directory of Parents -It would cost \$400 a year for a program to keep track of it.
- Someone would have to maintain the list without the program.

- If so, can we communicate on our own and not through the office because the amount of emails that come from the school are numerous.
- The principal will have a spot for us in her monthly newsletter so we do not have to have another piece of paper go home. Then we can repeat the information on the website. Amy can you be in charge of this?

Welcome Back BBQ:

- Office will be organizing the event and we will give them the check.
- Golf Tournament will have a table for registrations and questions.
- We can have a table set up at the food line for raffle tickets, informational sheet telling what openings we have.
- We have old GPO shirts, pants, hat and sweatshirt that we can somehow give away during the BBQ.
- Molly will be asking Jeremy Fletcher if Harvey can donate nice shirts with our GPO logo to wear at the BBQ.
- We will have a 50/50 raffle. \$1 per ticket, \$5 for 4, and \$8 for 10.

Fundraisers:

- Golf Tournament is running on track. This will be Nicole's last year as GPO liaison. We will need to have someone shadow her at the Golf Tournament on September 9th.
- Box Tops (October)-need new volunteers to run it.
 - Possibly have a parent per grade level to gather, cut and count each classroom. They can then give to a Chairperson to post.
- Original Works (October)-need new volunteers to run it.
- Italian Night-need new volunteers to run it.
- Possibly have another restaurant fundraiser in the winter with no raffle just to raise more money.

- Schoola-Nicole will be running this.
- Mother/Son Event-Need new volunteers to run it. Sarah Reardon said she would possibly step into this roll.
- Fall Fundraising campaign
 - Discuss at our next meeting.
 - Amy work on the marketing
 - Maybe create a video with children and teachers showing them using some of the things we have funded.
 - November as a possible month-tie into thankfulness and giving.

Our GPO calendar:

- Place it on the webpage and Facebook rather than sending it home? Do parents really look at it?
- We usually send out information when the event happens.

Karen-

Finances:

- Review of finances and any changes
- Three grant requests that were approved.

Staff Appreciation:

- Survey the teachers. Would they rather have some new, more comfortable furniture in the teachers or new appliances or continue with the breakfast, luncheon from years past.
- Massages could still be offered with this if we are able to secure the Community College. (usually they are free) If someone is able to secure another business to donate their services, that would help as well.

Molly-

Grant Request Form:

- Made the form more specific
- Teachers can find it online from Teegan.