

Attendees:

Delonaka Edwards - President
Martha Crisler - Recording Secretary
Kelley Bezrutch - Treasurer
Mirada Jenkins - Communications
Dave Dickenson
Julie Bernas
Ajmal Ansari

Establishing Non-Profit Status

Lonnie is continuing to follow through on filing for non-profit status. All signatures from PTO officers have been obtained.

WIHI PTO By-Laws

Lonnie brought in some examples of by-laws to consider for WIHI PTO. Some of them established separate committees for things such as fundraising, communications, etc. It was discussed that this may streamline the process and help to get more support for the PTO as a whole. Suggestions were made to set up committees for Fundraising, Directory, By-Laws, Staff Appreciation, Events, Academics, Community Engagement. Lonnie will discuss with Mr. Okma.

PTO directory

It appears that we will be able to incorporate school photos due in the directory. Lonnie will talk with Kelly Cartwright (school office) regarding parent authorization-to-publish. Another note will go out in the next newsletter and a parent authorization/order form will be sent home with students. All forms will be due back by December 20 and directories will be published in January.

Local Merchant Fundraising Programs

Rewards packages went out last Friday to enroll in the Meijer, Busch's and Target rewards programs. Kroger will not accept WIHI school status until we have a federal non-profit form which will not be ready until for 6 to 9 months.

Spirit Wear

Spirit wear is being undertaken by a product team. It is possible they will need assistance in putting that together successfully or carry forward. This brings a concern that product team communications are not making it home to parents. Kelley B has a contact at Kreative Klothes for spirit wear.

Staff Holiday Breakfast

Breakfast is scheduled for December 12 which is a late start day. There will be a few visitors from the IB and 14 staff. Lonnie will check to see what time and where breakfast should be set up and if someone needs to be present.

- Kelley B to bring tofu scramble

- Martha C to bring baked breakfast
- Lonnie to bring fruit plate
- Dave to bring coffee and bagels from Tim Hortons
- Julie to bring juices
- Mirada to bring donuts
- Ajmal to bring paper products

Holiday Cookie Trays

Request for people to bring in 2-3 dozen cookies dropped off morning of 12/22. Gordon Food Service has inexpensive platters – Julie to purchase and provide wrap. Lonnie to get fancy labels. Mirada and Kelley both available on the 22nd to assemble the trays. Mirada to make cookie flier.

Several ideas for the 2011/2012 school year:

- Year end event combined with intro for new students.
- Looking far ahead to senior all night party.
- Holiday Cookie trays for staff - ask parents to bring in 12 cookies – Thursday December 22.
Mirada to prepare flier
- Holiday Breakfast 12/12 – late start date – Lonnie to confirm
- Support product teams with finances
- Requests for donations – “no fundraiser” fundraiser
- Green bottle fundraiser
- Spirit wear

Next meeting Thursday, January 12.