

November 10, 2011

### General PTO Meeting

Last month's meetings approved.

Mr. Lind - Traffic is a problem. There is now police presence. A neighbor complained about a student running in front of their car. Mr. Lind has sent a notice to parents to drop kids off in upper parking lot, not at the corner Stop sign at Clifford Ave. and Scenic Drive. Kindergartners are all back in their classrooms. Minimum days all next week. Helping and Kindness are the characters of the month. Food Drive has begun and is now collecting donations.

Kim Faus – budget update, on budget

Kim Faus – school play trying to get word out. Need more older kids. Auditions next week.

PTO flyers – All PTO related flyers need to be approved so they can be translated and checked by the staff.

Fundraiser vs. Events - Multicultural Day is an event, not a fundraiser. Auction, School play are fundraisers.

Halloween festival – Ms. Dione Smith (2<sup>nd</sup> grade Teacher) said that there is not a need to change the current Halloween activities during school (PTO was considering having an after school event to take advantage of all the parents attending the parade and parties).

Cookie Dough – Elaina Pitre & Bunnie Morrow. Orders need to be turned in by the November 17<sup>th</sup>. Different levels of prizes. Assembly is Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> and will announce who wins prizes. Dough delivered in December. Delivery will be week of Dec. 7<sup>th</sup>.

Auction/Luau fundraiser - (Elaina Pitre & Bunnie Morrow). March 10<sup>th</sup> at Sandpiper Rec. Center in Redwood Shores. 5 to 9PM. Need volunteers to help.

Cookie exchange- (Aoife McAvoy) On December 1<sup>st</sup> from 7-9pm there will be a cookie exchange at Clifford family's home. This is a Mom's event to just meet and eat. Dec. 1<sup>st</sup>. Need a translator for PTO flyers.

Traffic – (Nanette Silverman). Started out with 4 new helpers. Have lost all 4 due to personal reasons. Have 4 crosswalks that need volunteers. Have 3 openings in the mornings. The afternoons need 2 volunteers. Parents are cooperating. Desperately need help.

Logo wear -(Laura Bauer)- link on PTO website to buy Clifford logo wear. PTO gets \$3 per garment. Laura Bauer can customize any or design special event shirts.

PTO website – any ideas to get more visitors to website. Student Council should post their events.

Holiday Boutique – Dec. 10<sup>th</sup> at Clifford. Barbara Nyland.

RAFT – Fund 12 Teachers to join RAFT \$20 per teacher. Approved. RAFT stands for Resource Area for Teaching. It is a place that has an abundance of teaching resources, many for free or reduced cost.

Literacy campaign to start in January. Considering getting an author and book signing.

Read A Thon (Christine Sullivan) – Raised \$4K for Outdoor Ed with Read-a-thon last year. Includes Kindergarten and parents reading to children. 60% of funds will go back to teachers and resource specialists. 40% goes to PTO. Need volunteers to help coordinate.

Parcel tax – Have a Clifford parent who will head this. More information to follow.

Next meeting Jan. 12<sup>th</sup>.