

MINUTES OF WOODLAND PTO MEETING TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2014

The PTO meeting was called to order at 9:05 AM by Danielle Scala.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT (Mr. Heaney)

Mr. Heaney:

- Indicated that the week of November 17, 2014 is American Education Week with Woodland classroom visits on Tuesday, November 18 from 9:30 AM to 10:30 AM and Thursday, November 20 from 1:30 PM to 2:30 PM and that students would be following their normal daily schedule.
- Advised that NJASK results would be presented at the next PTO Meeting.
- Provided an overview of the PARCC Test scheduled for the Spring of 2015. The open ended and performance based assessment be conducted during the first two weeks of March, 2015. The year-end assessment will be conducted in May, 2015. Third and Fourth grade students will be provided chrome books for the testing and a PARCC practice test is available online.
- Stated that Grades Four and Five reports cards will be issued on November 24, 2014 and the Second Grade Play is scheduled for December 9, 2014.
- Noted that November was Prostate Cancer Awareness Month.

CULTURAL ARTS (Danielle Scala/Patti Puglisi)

Mr. Heaney noted that the Earthdome presentation from Spring, 2014 was cancelled due to the heat. Danielle Scala reported that it had been rescheduled, but due to some miscommunication, the company was offering to refund the money that had already been paid and those funds would be placed back into the Cultural Arts budget.

TEACHER LIAISON (Anita Brower)

Mrs. Brower thanked the PTO for the book fair and classroom donations as well as for planning the Trunk or Treat event.

5TH GRADE SERVICE PROJECT (Cindy Percario)

Cindy Percario reported that the Fifth Grade was undertaking a service project to collect new books and board games to benefit patients at Shriners Hospital.

SIMPLY GOURMET (Danielle Scala)

Simply Gourmet will be making available pies, cookies and other bakery items for sale during the holidays to supplement the PTO's fundraising efforts. Order forms will be sent home in students' backpacks. Any items ordered for Thanksgiving will be available for pick up at Woodland on November 25, 2014.

DIRECTORY (Danielle Scala/Alice Stout)

Christine Rau is working on compiling, formatting and printing the directory.

APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 10, 2014 MINUTES (Danielle Scala)

On a motion by Danielle Scala and seconded by Alice Stout, the membership approved the minutes of the September 10, 2014 Woodland PTO Meeting.

UPCOMING EVENTS (Danielle Scala)

- Career Expo is an event being coordinated by Philip Jones for Fourth and Fifth Graders on November 20, 2014. Mr. Jones is seeking five parents to speak about careers. The PTO is providing refreshments and volunteers may be needed to help with the event.
- Craft Day is being chaired by Danielle Scala and Cindy Percario and is scheduled for Wednesday, December 10 after school. It will include crafts for the children and vendors for parents to do holiday shopping. Volunteers may sign up on Sign-up Genius.
- The Fifth Grade Event is being coordinated by ALT this year. Alice Stout, Tracy Leftkowitz and Erica Greene are coordinating Woodland's role in the 5th Grade Event.
- Movie Night, which was originally scheduled for December 5, will be rescheduled to a later date due to scheduling conflicts. It will include service opportunities.

EXPRESSIONS OF APPRECIATION AND THANK YOU (Danielle Scala)

Appreciation and acknowledgement were given to Melissa Pecoraro-Segorsen and the committee volunteers for their work, time and dedication in putting together the October 26, 2014 Trunk or Treat event, which was very successful and included carnival games, a bake sale, a fire truck, crafts and many activities.

The meeting adjourned at 10:11 AM.