New Franklin School PTO minutes for

Zoom meeting 11/17/20 @ 7PM

Present: Joanne Simons, Jen Yager, Judith Clark, Eva Marino, Anna Howard, Shasta O’Connell, Kellie O’Connell Langs, Rhonda Young

7:00 – Jen gave and overview of our mission statement. PTO works with the teachers and parents to help connect families to school community to and to enrich our kids lives at school and home. Joanne is happy to help with questions and concerns that are specific to your children via email or phone.

7:05 – Principal’s update:

* Virtual coffee with the principle this Thursday 8:15AM. Contact Kim Kumph or Joanne Simons to get zoom invite. Nurse Karen may be available for questions on Thursday as well.
* Holiday gift giving email went out today to all NFS families, to help families that may need help giving gifts to their kiddos this year. Attached to the email is a gift giving request form if you need help or if you would like to donate contact Kim Kumph.
* Sunday’s newsletter about unified arts. They are looking to do more live zooms. Reach out with questions concerns or suggestions.
* Cathy Cosgrove and Joanne to talk about remote student opportunities.
* Grades close 12/04 and report cards come out on the 14 and 15th Dec.
* Jen asked if the treat trolly will happen this year. Yes, Joanne does 12 school day count down. Parents bake or buy treats, Kellie and Joanne will coordinate.
* December 23rd, Wednesday, 1/2 day and pj day to start off Christmas vacation.
* Joanne talked about staying home for Thanksgiving so we can keep our kids at school longer.

7:15 - Directory update (Josh):

* Getting the data by Friday and could possibly get done this weekend.
* $550 of ads this year, not close to budge. Printing will be expensive, should we still print it? Josh posted a link on chat, it’s not too late to take out an ad. Josh to research but wants it done before the new year.

7:32 - Charleston wraps:

* Jen to send the link out again and it is also on Facebook. Goes through dec 17th, we get 40% of sales on most products.

7:35 - Spirit wear (Eva, Judith, Lindsay):

* Lindsay is waiting to hear back from Black Sheep, she will follow-up with them this week if she doesn’t hear from them. Turn around is about 2 weeks. Anything under $500 we can put through. Coffee mugs are still available and some kids shirts. Jen to check on stickers.

7:39 - Book fair update:

* A little under $500 made this year and earmarked $500 as a gift to the library.

7:40 - Wreath making/fundraiser:

* Kim Kumph is in contact with Bill, the manager, at Hannaford brothers. Bill has an email out to his vender and is asking for 50 wreaths as a donation for the school or at a discount. Kim will let us know when she hears back. We are thinking about the first week in Dec for decorating wreaths. We will look for donated ribbons, crafting materials, etc. Kim and Jen to work together in coordination of this effort.

7:42 - Virtual family fun:

* Art night paint night. PTO would fund kits for families to have materials. A zoom would be facilitated by Jill Johnson.
* Judith mentioned that Simon thought family hikes would be fun.
* Kahoot, a grade level trivia night was a suggestion as well.

7:48 - Toys for NFS families (Kellie):

* Kellie’s company, Prime Buchholz, wants to support a toy drive for NFS this year! Joanne will work with them to help coordinate gift giving.

7:50 - fairy house removal from trail. They need to be removed still. Eva said she will help this weekend and Jen can finish up the next weekend if needed.

Questions, comments, fundraiser ideas

* NFS wish list is digital now and will be linked to newsletter when it’s available.
* PTO zoom meeting recordings will be posted for a month in the newsletter and then replaced monthly with the new zoom meetings. PTO minutes are also posted in the newsletter before then next PTO meetings so they can be reviewed for approval.

7:55 Anna approved the minutes from last month, 2nd by Kelly Langs O’Connell.

8:00- Meeting adjourned

Next meeting 12/15 7-8pm