

PTO Meeting Minutes

October 9, 2018

McDonough Hall

Present: Jennifer Fox, Erika Montgomery, Karen Pauwels, Laura Milder, Susan Povilaitis, Amy Crilly, Kristen Reale, Marguerite Roza, Stacy McEnery, Kathy Lofgren, Kelly Richard, Megan Patterson, Angela Nardello, Kristen Kozlowski Lyons, Jenn Sabatino, Kenna MacKinnon

Presidents' Report (Fox/Crilly)

- Thank you to Kelly Richard and Stacy Senechelle for all their hard work towards making Lion's Leap a success.
- Thank you to the 25% of families that have volunteered in September
- Encourage volunteers to log their hours through SignUp or [Volunteer Log](#)
- Tutorials for sign up available -- <https://signup.com/Video/VideoTour>

Communications (Reale)

- Need to adhere to guidelines – send enews articles by end of day Tuesday
- Kristen to meet with office about how to improve look and layout of enews
- Need to ask office about parameters for image size

Committee Reports

Wellness (Milder/Povilaitis)

Wellness Week is this week with some great events on the calendar:

- Tuesday: Smoothies
- Wednesday: Walk/Bike to School
- Thursday: Apple Crunch
- Friday: Walk to Dominican Grotto after drop-off

The Wellness Committee is spearheading the installation of a mosaic mural along the East/South wall of the garage. Mural quote ideas for the garden have been selected – will have kids vote on final quote.

Susan discussed some options for speakers for this school year:

- Tara Smith to speak about Internet safety
- Joey FineRhyme a speaker acquired at a discount through a consortium of op/rf schools and Seven Generations Ahead may come to give motivational speech to kids about energy, climate and waste – would be around Earth Day.
- Raising Digital Natives speaker

Fun Lunch (Richard)

- Recently, we have been very short on volunteers for Fun Lunch - <https://signup.com/client/invitation2/secure/2331519/true#/invitation>
- Will send weekly sign ups

Book Fair (Pauwels)

- Scheduled for the week of parent conferences in October (10/15-10/19)
- Celebrating Harry Potter
- Flyer will go home Friday
- Art contest for K-4 is being promoted with the kids; 5th – 8th will have “Message an Author” contest.

Room Parents (Reale)

- Welcome emails went out
- Sign ups for Halloween parties will be shared with all room parents Tuesday (10/9)
- Post-Halloween parties, revisit how Halloween is celebrated at the school

Trivia (Milder)

- Trivia Night is scheduled for November 10th at 7pm in McDonough Hall at 7pm.
- Registration will be live this week.
- Make your team or sign up as individuals
- Faculty is invited to attend.

Upcoming Events:

Wellness Week: This Week! Faith and Family Walk with Wellness on Friday!

Book Fair/Early Dismissal/Parent-Teacher Conferences next week October 17-19

Trivia Night: November 10, 7pm

Parent executive functioning inservice: November 13, 7pm

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us!

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VP, Communications – [Kristen Reale](#)

The next PTO meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 15, 7pm in the McDonough Hall conference room.

Respectfully submitted by Kristen Reale