

Clarke PTO Meeting Minutes

November 12th, 2019

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Attendees: Ally Wang, Yingjie Wei, Jennifer Caruso, Trish Weisberg, Wendy Riseborough, Michelle Wu, Cindy Arens, Katherine Mahoney, Xuumei Carrie Wu

- September 10, 2019 Meeting Minutes Approval
- Spirit Wear
 - o Record year
- Treasurer's Report
- Book fair
 - 12/5-12/13
 - Push gift cards, thru PayPal
 - Email next week, getting volunteers
 - Teachers can make a list
 - Leftover money from gift cards?
 - Open to the public?? Make it clear to parents when they can come shop
 - Advertising outside on Waltham St
 - o Updates
- o Nick's Place is TONIGHT
- o Socials
- o Flatbread Fundraiser
- o Printed Clarke Directories
- o Chocolate Fundraiser
 - Going well, kids are excited
 - Sign up to help on Friday 1 hour increments
 - Going through 12/4
- o Clarke Night Out - 3/13/20
 - Walked and emailed to solicit, low response rate
 - 30 donations
 - Hotels won't respond
 - BSC, Lifetime
 - Wine wall and gift card tree
 - Teacher Experience
 - Asking parents in January
 - Ticket sales will be in January
- o PPC meeting update:
 - Redistricting
 - SC meeting in Boston 11/19 6-7:30pm

Parent Forum updates:

- The executive function forum that we're co-sponsoring with LHS and Diamond, previously scheduled for 12/2, has been rescheduled to 12/3 due to a request from the facilities department (the room we had booked was needed for something else). It will be at 7 pm in the LHS science lecture hall. We are editing the advertising blurb we got from the company and will send it to Cindy this week.
- The Minuteman forum for 8th grade parents will be 12/5 at 7 pm in the Clarke auditorium. They have promised me an advertising blurb that I'll send along as soon as I get it.
- We are going to push Elizabeth Englander's healthy relationships talk to a future year for funding reasons (Diamond was unable to contribute to this fairly expensiiive forum this year), but we will likely still do an event about healthy relationships in January, probably with Julie Fenn, and probably on January 22. This forum is being spearheaded by a volunteer from Diamond and I'll let you know when I have final confirmation from her on the details.
- The INRAI movie (I'm Not Racist, Am I) will be screened 3/12 for faculty only on their professional development day, and on the evening of 3/25 for parents and the larger community.

PTO MEETINGS

December 10 (7 PM, location TBD), January 14 (8:30 am at Clarke's caf), February 11 (8:30 am, Clarke caf),

UPCOMING EVENTS

Nov 12 – Nick's Place Fundraiser

Nov 6 to Dec 6 – Chocolate Fundraiser

Nov 22 – Challenge Team Sponsored Breakfast

Dec 2, & 13 – Desserts for teachers during conferences (for one day)

Dec 6 thru 13– Clarke Book Fair