

Stone Lake Elementary School PTO General Meeting—November 13, 2018

The November meeting of the Stone Lake PTO was called to order at 6:31pm by Sabrina Raasch

Attendees: Colleen Childers, Sarah Castro, Mark Beard, Angela Buchanan, Rosa Flores, Kris McAninch, Jacki Smith, Leanette Dahn, Hannah Kushan, Shegil Barrameda, Jessica Trudell, Sabrina Raasch

Approval of the October General Meeting minutes: A motion was made by Jacki Smith and seconded by Sarah Castro to approve the minutes from the October meeting. Sabrina Raasch called for a vote to approve the motion. All present members were in favor, no objections or abstentions.

Approval of October Treasurer's Report: Sabrina Raasch reported on the October Treasurer's Report. As of October 31, there was a profit of approximately \$3,275 from the Fall Festival. The last minimum day movie earned \$544, although the upcoming movie site license was an expense of \$379. A motion was made by Colleen Childers and seconded by Sarah Castro to approve the October Treasurer's Report. Sabrina Raasch called for a vote to approve the motion. All present members were in favor, no objections or abstentions.

Fall Festival Update: Sarah provided a summary of last month's Fall Festival. The volunteers from Cosumnes Oaks were great helping with the games. The lights on the blacktop allowed the Trunk or Treat to be extended. Having the last day of the Book Fair (instead of the first day) was better overall. There might be tweaks to the Silent Auction next year. Feedback from parents: DJ was good. There was a suggestion of having prizes at each game. If a Trunk or Treat family has an activity at their car, they should be at the end (it created a bottleneck). Parents reported their kids had fun and Sarah (and the others) did an excellent job.

Craft and Vendor Fair: The 2nd annual Craft and Vendor Fair will be Saturday, December 8, 10am-2pm. Scouts will be on hand selling popcorn and crafts. The goal is to have a Santa. Jessica Trudell will start promoting businesses.

Paint Night/Ornament Making: On November 27, there will be a paint and sip night at Mike's Diner. The cost is \$30. On December 6, there will be an ornament making and sip night, also at Mike's Diner. The cost is also \$30 and participants need to sign up by November 30.

Principal's Report:

- With the upcoming fingerprinting mandate for parent volunteers, Mr. Beard recommends getting to the district office ASAP. Some parents have reported long waits.
- Mr. Beard is looking into getting some sort of computerized system at the front desk for visitors.
- Last school year, Stone Lake switched to Excel Photography from Lifetouch. Lifetouch has asked to come back to Stone Lake. Mr. Beard met with a Lifetouch representative to address the concerns that initially drove us away (e.g., taking too much class time due to lack of enough cameras). This year, Shutterfly acquired Lifetouch. Using the school's storefront to Shutterfly (and your usual logon credentials), Stone Lake can earn an 8% donation.
- Mr. Beard addressed the issue of smoke. The district uses AQI to make the decision to keep the students inside. Field trips will go forward.
- Kinder registration, which starts January 9, will not require parents to stand in line as in the past. For year-round schools, there will be a randomized ranking. Sibling priority will still be in effect.
- Stone Lake will be year-round for the 2019-20 school year.

Open Forum:

Sarah Castro provided the following updates:

- Now until the end of 2018, there is a Box Top collection drive. Winners may receive a pizza party.
- The Stone Lake Garden is moving forward. Raley's has provided a \$4,800 grant. The garden will be next to the library and construction should begin in early 2019. Mrs. T. will be responsible for the separate Kindergarten garden. The second graders will be taking a field trip to the Cal Expo farm. Two teachers will complete the Ag in the Classroom.
- National Day of Giving is November 27 and we would like to encourage giving to the PTO. Flyers will be coming out.

Additional fundraising opportunities were discussed. We would like to do a farmers market in the spring with the farm-fresh vendor we met last year. Drive-thru dinner is still on hold as we are still looking for a vendor.

Angela Buchanan asked about the status of the eight cones she needs for the back gate. Colleen will contact her local paving contact to see what they can do.

Adjournment: The November General PTO meeting was adjourned at 7:24pm on a motion by Colleen Childers and seconded by Sarah Castro.