

# October

## OPR PAC MEETING

### Thursday, October 17, 2019

#### 7:00 All Welcome - Media Center

All Parents and Guardians are invited to attend the PAC meetings at OPR.

- Acceptance of the minutes from September 2019 meeting
  - Motion to accept: Sarah Willoughby
  - Seconded: Kathy Anderson
  - All in favor: approved
  
- Treasurer's Report
  - CY Budget – as of 9/30
  - Fundraisers
    - Apparel big push to come next week – due by October 28th
    - Friendship directory pulling in totals for next month
    - Mums – made 560
    - Stay on the half day
    - Boxtops discussion
      - Currently at just over 2000 boxtops, which is just over \$200. This is a dramatic decrease from the total at this point last year
      - Fears that the new app is hurting the collection process
      - Extending contest to next Wednesday – social media push for scanning
      - Need to encourage app adoption and will be running a special app contest with monthly updates
    - \$267 for Jimmy's restaurant night
  
- Current School Business - Mr. Barner
  - Reading incentive is off to a start
    - 3<sup>rd</sup> year of L.O.L (Love of Literature) – about a month to accomplish. Students bring in the materials. Placed in groups of 8 – and they will have a staff mentor and then have a book talk. Students provide recommendations on the stories
    - Planned for 2 times this year, maybe 3 times – will have the same mentor and group
  - Grades 3, 4, 5 – Battle of the Books has begun
    - Change for this year – will be during the school day
    - Grade 3: 6-8 students, reading from a list of 11 books. Then there is a battle where their understanding of the books is tested. December 12
    - Grade 4+5 share a list – and then they compete. They are preliminary battles in each class to narrow down the teams to one per class
    - The interruption to school time is minimal. There was a short introduction session for the students. Then in November there will be a check in to make sure each book has been read on the teams. If students have not read the books, the student can take notes, participate in the discussions, listen to the books on tape
      - For the students who can't or won't read they have created the back up plans in way to participate
    - The final battle December 19<sup>th</sup>
    - Question: how do they know which books to read?
      - The final list will be decided by the teachers
  - BFF – Books, Friends, Fun kicked off yesterday. 35 kids and 7 adults
    - Books, friends, fun. 25 minutes of activity and then read stories. Next week they will do partner reading

- The way this has evolved – the nutritional department had a grant for the books, the meals and perform the BOKS program
  - The reading is social and emotional themed
  - Separate from the PAC BOKS – which is still seeking a coordinator
- MCAS overview
  - Department of Education publicizes and reports MCAS results on their website
  - The overview is available for all without a log in
  - For the question by question analysis, that requires an admin log in
  - Mr. Barner and the teachers analyze the results
  - Our target is 500 or above to meet or exceeds.
    - For English Language arts – we have no reds, and 26% in the gold. The rest are at or above expectations
  - Accountability: for anything related to your own child you can review your parent report – mailed last week
  - Our school classification is: Not Requiring Assistance
  - “School of Recognition” status (only school in Walpole to achieve this status)
  - The state selects targets for every demographics and grades
    - There is a comparison for 2018 to 2019 – we have improved from 90% to 91%
  - English Language Arts: we have exceeded the states targets
  - Question: how are subgroups created? Like race, academic, income? This information is from Aspen data, economic is determined by free/reduced lunch, academic is the students’ performance compared to last year
  - Science: also exceeded targets
  - The only item that was a decline: chronic absence for the high needs subgroup
- Recap of events held:
  - Mum sale: thank you to Kate Murray for coordinating
  - Stay on the Half Day: thank you to Liz Scott and our volunteers
- PAC Business
  - Gingerbread Festival Planning
    - Date Saturday December 7, 2019 5:30 - 9:00
      - Volunteers sign up genius will be sent out November 1<sup>st</sup>
    - Reminder: start to sending in excess candy November 1st
    - Each room will need an overall coordinator and then supporting volunteers for set up, shifts during the festival and clean up
    - Room coordinators:
      - Glow Gym:
      - Gift Room:
      - Arts & Crafts Room: **Sara Shane and Rachel Ripplel**
      - Cookie Decorating: **Kelly Hanifan**
      - Front Desk Ticket Room
      - Cafeteria / food coordinator:
      - Raffle Ticket Sales
      - Nail and Face Painting Room: **Holly Corbett**
      - Candy Room: **Ann Walsh**
      - Cake Walk Room: **Chandler Sullivan**
      - Trolley Line: **Liz Scott**
      - Village Green Wreaths
      - Raffle Basket Coordinator
      - Donation request: desserts for the cafeteria and small gift bags for the gift room
  - Meadow Farms Product Sales or Similar Program or Direct Donation Discussion

- Consideration of the digital platform and day of giving in November for the general
    - Vote to have a digital platform and day of giving direct donation fundraiser:
      - Kathy Anderson: First
      - Catherine Crocetti: second
    - Possibility to do meadow farms or some other catalog sales, pies in the spring if the direct donation campaign is not successful
  - The key will be to communicate the goals of the PAC
  - Fun run was a sign up – like a road race. 25 dollars per person – will conduct in the spring
  - 5th Grade Funding: targeted fundraiser not required
  - Coordinator needed for SOHD
- Upcoming Programs/Events/Fundraisers/Important Dates
  - Photo shoot fundraiser Coreen Jackson - October 19 & 20
  - Parents Night Out - October 25 7-11: Tickets \$30 please see emails or FB for sign up link
    - Open to all
    - Tickets at the door are available
    - 50/50 raffle
  - Parent Teacher Conferences: 10/23, 10/25 & 10/29
  - Apple of my Eye Dance: November 1
  - Restaurant night (Five guys): November 7
  - Stay on the Half Day: November 27th
  - Gingerbread Festival: December 7th 5:30 - 9:00
- Next Meeting: November 14th 7:00PM

Motion to adjourn: Catherine Crocetti - first  
 Seconded: Kathy Martinez

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