

SRS Home & School Regular Meeting November 10th 2021 7PM

via Zoom

Principals Update

- Halloween parade was a success; collection of candy for troops going well.
- Fifth grade thanks all for their support of the car wash. Field trip for wetlands has been submitted to the pandemic team and are awaiting approval.
- Kindergarten students participated in career day; students dressed up as different career paths. Students did a nice job and there were many stories to tell.
- Bulletin Board set up for Veteran's Day; Dr. Tuck will look into sharing with the larger school community

Committee Reports

- Renovation of Sparrow House- Update from Shannon Elliott
 - Wooden structure at back of SRS playground built as outdoor classroom and playhouse. Gift in 1999 to honor retiring teacher Sandy Sparrow
 - Met with architect and gave ideas of what we would like to do with structure
 - Restricted funds set aside decided to dedicate to this project
 - Once we have ideas, will decide how to finance and what amount we should spend
 - Feedback will be solicited from teachers to see if they have any additional ideas

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- Next step will be to receive bids from contractors and see what can be afforded
- o Minutes from May 27th and September 29th need to be approved
 - Approved by Lessa Dixon, seconded by Alex Styer
 - Minutes are approved as submitted

Treasurer's Report

- SRS is currently in a really good spot
 - Fall Festival resulted in higher receipts than expected (\$1200 more than anticipated)
 - Spirit Nights and Nights in the 'Ville have generated revenue expected for the entire year in a couple of months
 - Individual donations about 40% of budget
 - Bingo Night and Book Fair still yet to come

Committee Reports

Book Fair

- Book Fair about to kick off Friday
- Will be in-person, in the library for the kids, checkout will be outside where volunteers can assist with check-out
- Will be under tent, so will happen rain or shine
- Volunteers still needed; link to Sign-Up Genius has been posted with open slots

Fall Festival

- Successful event
- Community turned out and seemed to enjoy themselves and supported the school
- Suggestions or comments can be passed to Home & School to make the event even better next year

Service & Civics

- Halloween Costume swap was great; lots of costumes
- Chester Children's Chorus- have given calculators and snacks
- Thanksgiving Food Drive to be announced shortly. Bin will be in lobby for collection
- 2022 Service Project will be coming shortly; ideas are being solicited from students. Dr. Tuck will let the Student Council know that ideas are needed

Globetrotters

- Discussion moving to in-person for next term (early 2022)
- Will need to present to the pandemic team for approval

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E-blast will contain all needed information once known

Teacher Appreciation

- Looking for contributions for food during parent/teacher conferences
- Information will be in the next E-blast

Spirit Night

- Anthony's Coal Fired Pizza is next Tuesday
- Many ways to order
- Percentage of proceeds will be given to Home & School

SRS Directory

- Dara provided an update; there are 8 copies left for sale
- A thank you to all who helped with the process
- Two new volunteers will be taking over next year
- Successful fundraiser- new advertisers supported the project
- Thoughts of digitizing have been discussed and is a goal

Volunteering

- BINGO event- February. Planning should start shortly. A team of two people is desired to start kicking off the process
- Rachel Hezlep will assist with training new volunteers
- Notice requesting volunteers will be in the next E-blast

Spring Book Fair

- Chair is needed
- If no Chair is found, online book fair will replace in-person event

New Business/Questions

- Preeti Gupta is a parent who has helped organization look at inclusivity of SRS community
 - More information coming out shortly announcing plans (both shortand long- term)
 - Please reach out with any ideas with regard to inclusivity for the SRS community by contacting Dr. Tuck or the Home & School Board
- Next meeting will be in January, 2022



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