

Olander PTO Executive Board Minutes

Date: November 21, 2006

1. International Night
 - Final amounts still being tallied, but approximately \$4,000 minus expenses, with a net expected around \$2,500-2,700. Attendance was up from last year.
 - Improvement ideas—
 - * More food, including more kids' choices and desserts
 - * Emcee for stage to conduct the show and remind audience of other events. Web cam to outdoor areas?
 - * Keep a big act to finish off the show and hold attention before auction announcements.
 - * Possibly juggle Soc Hop, Spaghetti Dinner, and International Night to put International Night in the early spring.

2. Spaghetti Dinner
 - Date to change to January 26 due to Blevin's fair same night.
 - Food order to be increased from 300 to 500 due to shortages last year. Price to increase to \$5/kids and \$7/adults to include larger portions and dessert. RSVPs sought to help accuracy of food order.
 - Volunteers being solicited, approximately 20-30. Idea explored about having 6th graders as servers to start a new tradition. Kids to fill out application and short interview as tie in to Career Day and Project Based Learning.
 - Tech Smart Lab, Little Shop of Physics, Project Based Learning exhibit, and Robotics Club demonstration are possibilities in the Media Center to be explored further.

3. Sound System Update
 - Stacey Dyer announced that the sound system we have used in the past for Soc Hop has been offered for sale to Olander. It is expandable, lower in price than a new system, and familiar to operate. Exact package to be discussed and presented at next PTO meeting.

4. Career Fair
 - 2007 Coordinator being sought.

5. 2005-06 Treasurer Report
 - Jen was unavailable, but approximately \$14,000 in account, not including International Night.

6. Phone System
 - January upgrade unlikely with timeline unknown. Possibly summer of '07 as to not disrupt school.

7. PTO Funding Requests
 - Principal Olver requests \$3,990 for substitutes to cover teachers to have four half-day release days. These would allow teachers to reflect on previous Project Based Learning projects and plan for future ones. Amount requested to cover all teachers, but unlikely total amount would be needed. Next PTO meeting—explore/vote if all of International Night proceeds should go toward funding PBL.

- First Grade requests 6 new sets of Take Home Readers. Vote to be taken at next meeting.

8. REACH

- Coordinator needed.

Next PTO Meeting: Tuesday, Dec. 5 at 6:45pm at Olander Media Center.

Respectfully submitted,
Holly Holland
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