

Falcon Families of SFES Meeting Minutes

November 21, 2024

- Welcome/Introductions/Overview
 - Meeting brought to order at 6:16pm
- Principal's Report: Lynn Bub
 - Report out at 6:18pm
 - Currently in the middle of American Education Week
 - Appreciation for support staff
 - Still working on Act 20
 - AimesWeb Testing – complete for Fall; next one will be done January 7-17
 - Literacy and math
 - Slight learning curve – practice was conducted in Fall to prepare for winter testing (Jan)
 - For students who need a personal plan, families need to be notified within a certain time-period
 - Lynn to confirm if conferences will stay the same in March or possibly get moved up to align with these conversations
 - Teacher Recharge room
 - Space for staff to go take a break and connect with each other
 - Angella set up an Amazon wish list for families to order from to support staff
 - Staff expressed appreciation for all the donations they're receiving!
- Secretary's Report: Ashley Pantel
 - Reviewed meeting minutes from September 12th, 2024
 - Motion to approve at 6:24 by Olivia; 1st by Angella, 2nd by Beth
- Treasurer's Report: Olivia Zeman
 - Approved two field trips
 - Spieker's Pumpkin Farm: \$487.50
 - Gibbsville Apple Orchard: \$431.25
 - Money raised since the beginning of the school year:
 - Charleston Wrap: \$3,627.00
 - Fall Craft & Vendor Fair: \$1,704.03
 - Texas Roadhouse Gift Card Fundraiser: \$1,000.50
 - Guilt-Free Fundraiser: Sept – Nov: \$350.00
 - Dine & Donates:
 - September 17 – Tom's Drive-In: \$244.68
 - October 16 – Buffalo Wild Wings: \$247.53
 - November 5 – Qdoba: \$224.52
 - Expenses:
 - Donuts - book fair: \$833.80
 - Chili - teacher dinner: \$67.00
 - Motion to approve at 6:27pm by Angella; Kelly 1st; Jade 2nd
- Fundraising Committee:
 - Started discussion at 6:27pm
 - Book Fair recap:

- \$12,699.06 worth of books sold; \$4K more than 2023.
 - 50% of total goes towards Scholastic: \$6,349.53
 - Scholastic dollars are used to buy weekly readers
 - Have enough to buy weekly readers next year; however, we've been warned that they may be pulling the grandfather clause meaning we *may* not be able to use Scholastic dollars to fund in next school year (*approximately \$5,500*)
 - Is there an online only version – Kelly to follow up
- Donuts with Grownups
 - For future, have documents to share for what do students do / adults do
 - Ex. Children check in with teach first; class goes down together and meets adults in the cafeteria
 - Make sure everyone understands the expectations
 - Angella to reach out to Mr. Perkovich for logistics feedback if we do again
- Current
 - Dine & Donates through the remainder of the school year
 - December 10 – Texas Roadhouse
 - January 14 – Panera
 - February 11 – Rocky Rococo
 - March 18 – Tom's Drive-In
 - April 8 – Jersey Mike's (*tentative*)
 - Jersey Mike's still hasn't confirmed; could consider McDonald's as backup since they reached out to us – they require at least 6 volunteers to help take orders and serve food
 - May 14 – Noodles & Co.
 - Concessions at Christmas Sing Along – Tuesday, December 17
 - Kelly to reach out to Palo and Broadway seeking popcorn donations
 - Consider a sign up for baked good donations
 - Consider offering two volunteer shifts (30 min each)
- Future Fundraiser Ideas – *Started discussion at 7:04pm*
 - Table top book fair at Elementary School (offer for K-8)
 - May timing would be too close to end of school year & April is too close to March fair
 - Consider declining for spring 2025, but consider for next school year
 - Consider Falcon Families of SFES running the Fall book fair at the Middle School in the morning and during MS conferences
 - Confirm timing doesn't overlap with Elementary School conferences
 - Caan's Flowers Fundraiser – Distribute vouchers in May before Mother's Day
 - Brittany taking over flower sale
 - Mini & Me
 - Consider a sale during Spring
 - Possibly reach out to see if they'd be interested in partnering during the sing along
 - Apparel sale
 - What do families want? Roughly how much should we price each item?
 - T-shirts (\$15ish)

- Sweatshirts (\$25ish)
 - Baseball cap (\$15ish)
 - Consider adding 'Elementary School' on apparel
 - In January we'll bring costs
 - Principal for the day
 - Sell in February through Spring vendor fair; draw winner at vendor fair
 - Spring Vendor Fair
 - Facility request submitted March 15; waiting to hear back
 - March 21st is the requested day -- aligns with soccer in hopes to increase foot traffic)
 - Soup & Grilled cheese dinner and then movie and pajama night
 - Jade has list of restaurants that donate soup
 - Jade to check with Brian, HS Athletic director, for movie equipment
 - Tentatively in February
- Other Important Dates
 - Remaining 2024-25 Board Meeting Dates from 6:15pm-7:30pm
 - January 9, 2025
 - March 13, 2025
 - May 8, 2025
 - No school for students (through Jan):
 - Wednesday, November 27 - Friday, November 29
 - Monday, December 23 – Wednesday, January 1
 - Friday, January 17 & Monday, January 20
- Open Forum
 - Suggestions from teachers:
 - Consider 1/2 sheets instead of 1/4 sheets for handouts
 - Teachers like the stickers; only concern is some teachers may not check mailbox every day so there's a chance they *may* get missed
- Meeting adjournment
 - Motion to adjourn at 7:31 by Angella; Beth 1st; Jessica 2nd

Next Board Meeting: Thursday, January 9 from 6:15pm-7:30pm in the library

Falcon Families of SFES organization overview: This group helps our school by funding field trips, acquiring technology and books, sponsoring events, etc.