

Sutton Central PTO

February 6, 2024

Meeting Notes

Principal's Report

Ms. Scolaro's principal's report included these highlights:

- Teachers are developing Project-Based Learning science/social studies units to implement during the next school year
- There is a Special Educator job opening for next year. An interview committee has been formed.
- SCS Staff recently met to discuss scheduling changes
- Data meetings, using recent assessments, took place to identify students who would benefit from intervention or enrichment
- 4th and 5th graders went to see the acapella group *Ball in the House* at the high school
- Recital Day will take place in music classes Monday, Feb.12th.
- Students will see a jump rope performance next week in coordination with *Jump for Heart* in P.E. classes
- The Statewide Assessment System will now assess students' writing abilities in March. Breakfast support from the PTO was requested and approved.
- Next school year there will be a performance of *The Snowy Day* at the New London Barn Playhouse. Funding for a whole-school trip to this performance was requested and approved by the PTO.
- The *Portrait of a Learner* feedback from parents and caregivers was universally supported.
- The district has contacted an architectural firm to determine needs in various buildings throughout the district. A committee will gather input from teachers, parents/caregivers, and community members.

Financial Report

Emily Cooper, PTO treasurer, shared that as of the end January there was \$20,392.99 in the PTO account.

A thank you note was received from Nurse B. for the mini fridge for the nurse's office. A thank you note was received from the *Food for Thought* organization for a donation from the PTO. Emily Cooper will place a grocery order to supplement the Cougar Cupboard during upcoming vacation weeks.

Books were purchased by the PTO for the One Book One School Program in March.

Emily Cooper contacted Ragged Mt. and Pat's Peak to obtain prices, perks, and program information for the PTO to compare to Mt. Sunapee. Chaperone costs have been an issue this year, as well as no indoor space for students and chaperones.

Fundraising

- At our next meeting we will discuss a Flea Market fundraiser for the PTO.
- The PTO will run a new "Read-a thon" fundraiser in March, at the same time as the One Book One School program. Students can raise money from sponsors by reading books independently or with a caregiver and recording their minutes using an online platform. This will run for about 4-6 weeks.
- School spiritwear orders will take place this spring
- Ms. Scolaro will ask teachers for wish list items for a spreadsheet. The PTO will create a Sign-Up Genius link for those interested to purchase items.

Upcoming Events:

Valentine's Day Carnations

Kristin Prime placed an order for a carnation for each student from the PTO. Notecards from the PTO were also created to encourage support for the PTO. These carnations and note cards will be delivered to the school by Jill and Krista and passed out at the end of the day on Valentine's Day by Tabitha and Tracy.

Indoor Movie Night @ SCS

Coming soon- indoor movie night. Date to be announced

Community Bonfire at Smiley Grove Park

Hosted by the North Sutton Improvement Society on February 17th at 12:00 at Smiley Grove Park near Kezar Lake.

Musterfield Farm Ice Day

Sunday, February 18th

PTO By-Laws

PTO members are encouraged to contribute ideas/suggestions to the PTO by-laws document in Google Docs.

The next PTO meeting is Tuesday, March 19th @6:30pm at Sutton Central School.