

Abbie welcomed people to the meeting at 6:40. Abbie reviewed the following:

- 1) Party 4 Play co-chair people have been identified. Thank you Dory Levine and Zayuah Waite.
  - a. Abbie reviewed the history and success of P4P.
  - b. P4P is 2-22-14 at the PAA in Oakland.
  - c. Hoping to sell even more than 200 tickets that sold last year.
  - d. Questions about babysitting at JCC arose and the P4P committee will look into this further.
- 2) Mr Lydon's Night Out was a new initiative last year. It served as a partial fundraiser for the PTO as well. Mr. Lydon agreed to do this again this year in the winter. Date will be announced later.
- 3) Abbie also reminded people to register their Giant Eagle Advantage Cards!!!

Sivan-Social

- 4) Next week is the teacher staff holiday luncheon on 12-19 from 11-1. Drop off food to show your appreciation for teachers. Food can be dropped off in the basement of the old building. Volunteers are needed for clean up and set up.

Mary Lou- Fundraising

- 5) ASK DRIVE: The ask drive is currently underway. This drive last year provided about half of our fundraising. Last year at this time 5% of the students body had participated. This year, that percentage of participation is 8%. 44 people have responded, ½ of whom are new. The drive has also already made more money this year than by this point last year. Emails and other reminders will be delivered this month too.
- 6) Ten thousand villages shopping night in November. The goal was over \$100 in sales to make 15%. We made \$300, with over 1500 in sales. The PTO was invited back next year for this fundraiser.
- 7) City Dining Card Fundraiser. These are \$20. They card provide 5% to the local food bank and the cards entitle you to a discount at local restaurants.

Camille- Communication

- 8) Email blasts are a bit less frequent this year.
- 9) Communicator-Camille is excited that children and adults are participating in her quizzes. The next edition will be ready early next week, prior to the break.
- 10) Shout-outs for the communicator are are \$2 and give you 3 lines in the communicator. To give a shout out, give money to the office/Sivan to be included.

Henry-Treasurer

- 11) Budget review: To date, we are ¼ way toward our overall fundraising goal. The budget spreadsheet is available both as an overall ad as an itemized version to see each deposit.
- 12) Henry reviewed some of the things that the expenses have supported, such as Frick Environmental, teacher grants, field trips, and enrichment activities.

Mr. Sikorski—New business

- 13) SKI CLUB: The ski club will involve 4-8 grades. All levels of skiers are

welcome. All levels will get lessons. There will be two trips-one in Jan 22 (Tues) and one in Feb. Trips are to seven springs. The bus is chartered. The first trip is an all day trip and the second is night skiing experience. A meeting with information for ski club, with prices and other details will be had. Mr. Dash is the tour guide who helps to chaperone, along with teachers and Mr. Sikorski. Parents are welcome to volunteer for the trip. If you are interested in chaperoning and have a younger child, let Adam know. The trip will be on the in-service day for teachers. People who are already up there can join for the day too.

- 14) Mr. Sikorski also encouraged people to promote P4P. It's a fun place to see other parents and the event provides \$ to support a lot of our school's activities!
- 15) The school is looking into bringing an architecture and engineering club at Colfax. There are few details (e.g., grade levels), but funds for a club like this would come from the PTO. Stay tuned.
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