PTO Meeting Tuesday January 6, 2015 AGENDA

1) CEO Report

- The swings were removed at the playground and busses turn around easier (it's working well). We are not sure what will be done with the circle at the front (where the gazebo was) Ideas: could be a planting area for kids or a landscaped grass area.
- · Winter celebration: The information about Parents being able to attend was send two weeks in advance. For some parents this was a little late for parent to make plans and attend the performances.
- Next year if we do a pizza party or any type of recognition for the class that has the most sales of Yankee candles it would be good to say it to the classes and parents in advance. Also sending a description of what the fundraiser is for together with the fundraiser slip would work better than a separate letter.
- It's too hard to go to the science fair at the science center for some parents during weekend. It would be better to do the fair kind of a field trip during the week.
- Amazon has a link on YSWPCS website. If parents go through that link when buying at amazon the school gets a percentage of money.
- January 19th and 20th school closed for Martin Luther King day.
 - January 19th set aside for parent/teacher conferences

Ideas to improve the Holiday Shoppe:

- For the little kids, send a list home with items and prices that way parents can say how much money they are sending and how they want the kids to spend it.
- Having the holiday shoppe open the whole week was disruptive for library operation, may be next year a craft for parents will be better than running the holiday shope. Idea tabled until next year.
 - Holiday homeroom decorations maybe give all younger grades awards, such as "Most Colorful", "Most Creative", "Most Decorative", etc.

2) Treasurer Report

Craft fair: Not that many vendors want to come back because only people from the school came to buy and they didn't make that much money.

Current Bank about \$2,400.00. Moneys to be used for Valentine's Day Dance, Ice Cream Social, Teacher Appreciation Week, Field Day, and other items and/or services as discussed between PTO and CEO.

3) Questions / Comments / Suggestions

Using color paper for PTO information/flyers sent home will make it easier and help it stand out.

- 4) Standing Committees Updates
 - a. Valentine's Day Dance.
 - Friday February 13, 2015. 6pm 8pm.
 - Volunteers: Karrie, Jen, Christina, Nathalie, Bethany, Brea, Lisa, Kari & Bob
- Using the same DJ from last year would be good but he has to screen music for the little kids.
 - Karrie to contact Baldwin Township about using their parking lot for school events.
 - · Because this is the weekend before International Mother Language Day it may be a good idea to reschedule the Valentine's dance to another time.
- Carnival game night was a suggestion. Enough volunteers? Cost?
 - Final decisions to be made by early next week.
 - b. Family Reading Night (School-sponsored event) Thursday January 29th, 5:30pm – 7:30pm
 - Volunteers for PTO table: Karrie, Jen, Christina, Connie
 - c. International Mother Language Day (School-sponsored event)
 Friday February 20, 2015. 5pm 8pm. Bethel Park Community Center. 5151 Park
 Avenue, Bethel Park 15102
 In need of volunteers for:

Setup (2pm-5pm)

Clean up/takedown (8pm - 9pm)

Overall help in planning, advertising, catering ideas, etc. Email Rachel to join the planning committee, at r.majcher@yswpcs.org