



# Young Scholars of Western PA Charter School

**PTO Meeting Tuesday December 1, 2015**

**5:30 PM**

## **AGENDA**

- 1) Welcome! Introduction, Sign-in. Secretary position open.
- 2) CEO Report
- 3) Teacher Report – Mrs. Richards, Ms. Remziye
  - Barnes and Noble re-cap
  - Parent Career Day January 7, 2016

- 4) Community Outreach Report – Rachel

Angel Tree was a success! We had a total of 100 angels and all but 18 were adopted. We will be getting the gifts to Duquesne University during this week and the trip to Haiti takes place later this month. All proceeds/gifts support the Global Trauma Research project in Haiti.

We will showcase a non-profit organization each month in the school newsletter. This month's charity is Animal Rescue League, headed up by Amanda Johnston. January will be a sock drive for Operation Safety Net. February will be dedicated to the American Heart Association since we will be doing our Jump Rope / Hoops for Heart event that month. We welcome ideas. See Rachel if you'd like to spearhead a month, which would include a write-up about the organization, and a letter regarding what donations are accepted. [R.majcher@yswpcs.org](mailto:R.majcher@yswpcs.org)

Parent Breakfasts, on Mondays and Wednesdays at 8:00am.

- 5) Treasurer Report – Kim
  - a. Yankee Candles – Re-cap
    - \$3,675 orders turned in
    - \$ 331 web orders
    - \$4,006 total x 45% = \$1,802.70 PTO profitPlan pizza party for classroom with highest sales (and most kids participation?)
  - b. Total funds in account, after paying Yankee Candles = approx. \$2,900

Upcoming purchases to include:

- 1) Valentine's Day dance (Friday February 12<sup>th</sup>)
- 2) Teacher Appreciation Week (May 2 – 6<sup>th</sup>)
- 3) Ice Cream Social (tbd. May?)
- 4) 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation (Saturday June 4<sup>th</sup>)
- 5) Field Day (Monday June 8<sup>th</sup>)
- 6) Gloves for all students (\$280)
- 7) Pizza Party for highest-selling Yankee Candles class (\$70 – amount spent last year)
- 8) Wall-mounted secure mailbox (\$50, plus shipping)
- 9) Holiday Shoppe expenses (decorations, signs?)
- 10) Bouncy Bands for 1 classroom (\$263, free shipping)

## 6) Committees

### a. Homeroom Parents

- Homeroom Parent introduction letter to class – is this happening?
- Classroom directories – each homeroom parent reach out to parents, to get permission to create a directory for that specific class (rather than a school-wide directory)
- Spread the word about Parent Career Day, AND Remind parents about Parent Breakfast, every Monday and Wednesday at 8:00am.

### b. Holiday Shoppe Committee, week of December 14-18: Karrie, Christina, Kim

- a. Reindeer Lane
- b. We have permission to use the Music Room
- c. Setup Friday December 11<sup>th</sup> afternoon
- d. Need Volunteers!

## 11) Fundraising

- a. Pittsburgh Popcorn Company – Springtime
- b. Rubber bracelets? - Amazing wristbands/ ½ “standard rubber bracelets, Front/back message with a tiger paw print qty 100 \$94.67- each would be .95 cents

## 12) General Items for Review

- a. Clearances
- b. Volunteer incentives
  - Snacks provided at all PTO meetings
  - Babysitters at all meetings
  - Raffle at end of year for parents came to “x” many PTO meetings and also for “x” number of times volunteered

## 13) Open discussion