

PTO Meeting-September 9, 2011, 9:00 a.m.

Minutes

The following outlines the agenda/topics covered during the Socrates Hellenic American Day School PTO meeting held on Friday, September 9th.

I. Attendance: 19

II. Meeting called to Order at 9 a.m.

III. Introduction to the 2011/2012 PTO Board:

Co-Presidents: Gordana Lialios
Sophia Koliatisis

Treasurer: Beatrice Tabakis

Secretary: Betsy Kateyiannis

IV. Opening Prayer from Fr. Sotiri with a special prayer for September 11th.

V. Financial Report: Opening Balance \$2,369.62

VI. Discussions:

PTO Dues: Explanation of what they are used for (i.e. activities; classroom parties; Christmas gifts for teachers; Graduation gifts for kindergartners and 8th graders)

Angelica Kontas-Room Mom Coordinator—

We are still in need of room moms. Angelica will be setting up a meeting with all the room moms. 2 moms per room for the younger grades and 1 mom per room for older grades. Should be open to be available. Communication role. It is a time commitment. Build a relationship with teacher and guidance should come from teacher.

Directory: This is only for the day school. Last revisions were being made this week. By next Friday, September 16th, should be done. End of month/beginning of October directories will be handed out to all PTO Members.

Goal: To Raise \$5,000.00; Last school year \$5,000.00 was raised which was used for laptops, wall rack, and clean up of lobby.

Laminating Machine: Mrs. Gronkowski thanked the PTO on behalf of the teachers for this wonderful piece of equipment.

Suggestion Box: for comments, suggestions, concerns; compliments, ideas of fundraisers, etc. Hung out in the lobby by front door. Do not need to put your name if you don't want to.

Introduction of everyone who attended the meeting.

Fr. Sotiri-Announcement of first Divine Liturgy at HAA on September 18, 2011 with Orthos @ 8:15 a.m. and Liturgy @ 9:45. Possibility of Sunday School every other Sunday. Sermons are geared toward the children. Day school has a new curriculum OCEC Grades 1 to 8 45 minutes per week.

Wednesday September 14, 2011—Divine Liturgy for the Stavro—unsure of time

There are 4 main events:

Christmas program; Open House; March 25th; and Graduation

Breaking the events by assigning groups of volunteers so we have a variety of different parents volunteering.

Fall Harvest Dance October 21, 2001 6p.m. to 10 p.m.—Family event

Invitations will be placed in lockers instead of mailing. We are looking for basket donations. The following responsibilities have been split up:

Invitations: Angelica Kontas/Eva Vigos

Entertainment:

Face Painting:

D.J.: Betsy Kateyiannis

Games: Eva Sfikas

Volunteers for Fall Harvest: Bea Tabakis; Kathy Limber; Maria P.; Jacki Kinzy; Athena Patrianakos; Sophia Koliatsis.
Apologies if someone has been missed.

Tentative Picture date: October 26th - Auditorium

Volunteers: Miafora Geroulis
Effie Kouriabalis
Eva Sfikas

Teachers Thanksgiving Lunch-we either will buy from outside source or we cook there and everyone donates. Room moms will watch the children while the teachers are at lunch. This will be a half day commitment.

Book Fair-Maria Maridakis is the coordinator this year. We have switched companies from Scholastic to Usborne. First assembly will September 24th, Reach for the Stars, sponsor a child for 2 weeks. 50% of the proceeds goes towards the children and 50% of the proceeds goes toward the school. (this could be either cash or books)

Aprokriatiko is a joint fundraiser with all 3 PTOs. We are looking for different venues. Looking maybe to change the time to start earlier.

Curriculum Open House-September 14, 2011

A family tree has been suggested.

Would like to take the dead bushes by the back door and plant mums.

Meeting adjourned 10:06 a.m.