

January 14, 2019

TFT Mtg. Notes

Attendees: Matt, Britt, David, Heather, Riley, Tara, Patrice, David, Alletta, Muffie

Patrice

Open House: 6:30-8pm 1/17/2019

- TFT table
 - Heather will update the comprehensive info sheet and send to SHaron to print
 - Lower school and upper school will be splitting up and each room will be focused on a central theme: restorative justice, place-based learning, etc.
 - DUTS will have a table. Riley will represent.
 - Cleo has offered to sit at a table to represent the middle school.
 - **Managing conversations around Trillium...**(and roleplay answers)
 - **Tribune article:** This is not an accurate assessment of the school. This is my kids' experience....
 - **Poor communication:** We now have a youtube page, FB page, website is updated regularly, newsletters go out monthly, email is responded to promptly
 - **Personal stories:** Share positive stories. If somebody shares a negative story, help advocate for them and ask if they've talked to the right channels
 - **Low test scores:** Charter schools tend to attract families who are not into standardized testing. Last year was a transitional year; from a new ED, unionization of teachers, and turnover of several teachers. This year we are doing intensive professional training on teaching and learning, we are getting additional support from the district, and we are anticipating a big jump in our scores this year.
 - **Social media challenges:** Share positive experiences. Be specific, measurable, achievable, reasonable, timely. Great Schools, Facebook, Google Reviews, Yelp, Glasdoor (FB login), Indeed (FB login). Patrice has a list of all of these.
- Successful Schools Survey. Patrice will send this out via email.

Ruth update

Calendar meeting from December

- Our two main fundraisers are In Bloom and Run for the Arts
- Spaghetti dinners and movie nights were combined
- May is Teacher Appreciation, Prom, and Senior Projects

We need to appoint leads for In Bloom and Run for the Arts

- Heather will lead the In Bloom Auction
- Muffie is considering leading this committee IF other people take the Social Media and Newsletter off of her list

- Ruth would like to head the music showcase part of the night

What is our financial goal for In Bloom?

What is our financial goal for Run for the Arts?

Muffie voiced concerns that we are overbooking TFT and individual volunteers.

How do we recruit volunteers?

- Pull people in from hallways
- Take advantage of captive audiences (movie night, performances)
- Classroom flyers, Bloomz, Facebook
- Ruth will create a couple of clipboards for parents to sign up at the Open House
- Does TCS have a list of people who checked the box "interested in volunteering"

Nikos will talk to Johanna about the plant sale or the berry sale this year. If it's easy enough, we'll do it. If it's too involved we will skip it. Tara is willing to help out with either of these. Nikos will still plan a dine-out at Chapel Pub.

Matt

Dinner and a Movie 5:45, Feb. 8th

- Proposing we have 3 volunteers to plan this every month
- Nikos will make Popcorn
- Matt will coordinate spaghetti with Naomi
- Films will align with mission of the school, not just "Disney fluff"
- Spaghetti dinners had an open floor for people to discuss topics. Matt suggests we do this at Dinner and a Movie as well
- David and Heather will talk about posters
- Matt and Nikos will talk about the format of the evening
- Britt will help with Feb. 8th Dinner & a Movie

Alletta

Love poster to display at the Open House

- Passed out paper hearts for people to write positive messages on
- Muffie and Alletta are collecting stories from parents to share with the community

David suggests moving the TFT website to a new server

\$20/mo for website

\$50/year

\$15/domain name

\$70/security cert.

Nikos budget report:

TFT money in bank \$11,217

- How can the school get money from TFT quicker? Solution: create a “hold harmless” agreement, allowing us to give money for specific items and it must be used by specified date.
- The budget is a living document, which means we can move things around and add money as we see fit based on what we make during the year

Earning report:

- SCRIP has sold \$11,934, expenses are \$15,000, \$4000 in card-form now
- Wreaths made \$2
- Craft Bazaar made \$1700
- Chinook Books \$44

TFT payment updates:

- Middle School dance \$26
- Equity mtg. \$19.98
- Teacher’s holiday party food \$120.89
- Pizza for gift card winners \$64
- Donuts for gift card winners \$20
- Insurance renewal \$235
- CT-20 dues \$20
- Teacher’s retreat breakfast \$61.35
- Teacher’s retreat breakfast \$182.30
- Oregon Live ad \$5400
- Amber awards (family scholarships) \$353