

## PTA pre-planning meeting 5/24

### Attendees:

Chris & Stacy Gray  
Nancy Haynes  
Alicia Barnaby  
Greg Ramey  
Kristen Bakker  
Bobbi Zoerhof  
Samantha Zerbel  
Chris Burgess  
Nikki Shilton  
Mary Lewandoski  
Heather Lewis  
Sarah Spach  
Lexi Rusch  
Mr. Rathbun

- 25 minute lunches for next year. This is standard for secondary schools. Cannot get a longer lunch without a longer school day.
- Clubs need to be before or after school.
- No Dean transportation for 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> grades next year. Will have city bus available (only High School students get access to bus pass system). Bus pass cost for each student is determined the same way as the free and reduced lunch program.
- Transportation will need to be mentioned in the club description.
- List of about 70 clubs available. Mr. Burgess and Alicia coordinating this full list of options.
- It seems important to consider separate clubs for middle and high school.
- Orientation would be nice for students to sign up for clubs.
- Could clubs be voted on for next week?
- Club budget needs to be included before final PTA budget is submitted to the state on June 30<sup>th</sup>
- Kids run the clubs at High School level. Need teacher advisor per club. Advisor would have to be more hands on initially.
- Get a list of potential clubs and vote on tentative clubs before end of school.
- Need 5 students minimum to have a club (4 officers and 1 member).
- Student Council update – no updates that we know of. Need to have four officers voted on before the end of the current school year.
- President / Vice / Treasurer / Secretary Officer Positions.
- Separate officers for Middle School and High School Student Councils.

- Mrs. Lewis and Ms. Rusch informing students today.
- Need name turned in to Mrs. Lewis or Ms. Rusch by next Friday. Ballot needs to come, will not be voted by show of hands
- Students campaigning for officer positions need to be DDF free, passing in classes, student council standards. To be vetted by Mrs. Lewis and Ms. Rusch.
- Campaign speeches at the Picnic on the 3<sup>rd</sup>
- Speech limit of 2 minutes per student.
- 6<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> grade picnic from 10:30am – 2:30pm at Pine Island on June 3<sup>rd</sup>
- Actual voting with ballots when students return from picnic.
- Voting stations in Mrs. Lew's room. 8 Stations for each position. Have doors to come and go in an orderly fashion.
- Student reps will be voted on next fall. Clean slate for all students interested.
- Events Coordinator – Fall Festival, International Night, etc.
- Should Fall Festival occur – possible conflict mentioned?
- Mrs. Lewis is interested in an International Night with 7<sup>th</sup> grade next spring.
- Event coordinator to advertise events and make sure they're running smoothly.
- Mr. Burgess to reach out to Metta in regards to interest in Event Coordinator position.
- Do we need a fund raising head – raffle / etc.? If so, who?
- Grants for camping equipment. Tents, backpacks, sleeping bags discussed. Something we will need for next year as we are starting from scratch.
- “Donors Choose” – Fund Raiser head to be involved in grants and fundraisers
- Make a Sign-Up Genius for different positions that we have a need for and e-mail that link to parents (in regards to Event Coordinator and Fund Raiser position).
- Switchback gear – can help with swapping out camping supplies and get donations back to the school. Ask for camping donations from parents to Switchback program, a good idea to gain supplies and increase donations needed for camp.
- Share the pain. Should some of the camping supplies come with us to the new school?
- Current backpacks and sleeping bags are in very poor condition.
- Sleeping Bear and North/South Manitou are expected trips for next year 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grades.
- Mrs. Lew shopping grants for next years 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>
- Pictured Rocks and Grand Isle to 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> grades? Otherwise back to Wilderness State Park, depending on camping supply situation.
- Halloween themed fall festival, Mr. Dolphin volunteered for hay ride.
- Orientation planning team is strong.
- Ideally want to figure out trip cost per student before orientation.
- Punch card to move families from station to station during the orientation.
- “Adventure Learning” a better name than camp.
- Can club fees or dues be assessed to the kids? Each club has their own “money pot”.

- More skin in the game, and less kids flitting in and out of the clubs. Clubs starting to get more territorial.
- Is there physical space in new building for coffee cart, school store?
- Going through vetting process before new kids are introduced to the school. Knowing the involvement and expectations we want from our students.
- Neighborhood outreach needed. Need community open house to bring in those neighbors. Starting to become a bubbling situation.
- Stressing students to show respect for neighbors and respect for their property will be very important.
- Jerry Barnaby a community relations head.
- Community service coupons, raking or shoveling drive way for example of good community outreach ideas.
- Have kids build birdhouses for immediate neighbors, simple gesture to reach out to them.
- Stewardship opportunities to walk from Covell to Frost or Blandford
- A blanket permission slip to walk to Frost or Blandford, should be created as we expect these trips to be numerous in future years.
- This slip should be available at orientation to grant this access.
- Can we include Richmond park in the list as well? Something we want included in our groundswell and community outreach going forward.
- 129 kids completed their volunteer hours. Would like to present some form of reward to them for being good stewards (a uniform free June was discussed, but something that could be easily abused by other students). Instead targeting to bring in an Ice-Cream Truck just for those kids. Targeting June 6<sup>th</sup> or 7<sup>th</sup> for this reward opportunity. Would need to get a ticket with specific student names for easier control