

Wilton PTO Email Meeting  
March 2019

PRINCIPAL'S / TEACHER'S REPORTS

TREASURER'S REPORT

OLD BUSINESS

A. Teacher conference meals

1. Volunteer sign up

Jen G. created the volunteer sign up sheet through Sign Up Genius and spots are being filled.

B. Cookbook Updates/Next Steps

1. Recipes received (Heidi Q.)

As of 3/6/19 we have a total of 96 recipes turned into Mrs. Quinn.

On 3/9/19 (l) Emily received 5 more recipes!!

2. Illustrations for cover pages (Emily H.)

Emily H. sent the teachers cover pages for their class to sign for each category and also square templates for them to make tiny drawings of food in their category that we can input into the cookbook with their name to personalize.

Emily H. will receive all the cover pages and pictures from the classes on Monday, March 11th. Heidi sent the recipes home to me (Emily) on 3/8/19. I will go through the recipes and see which children do not have recipes turned in from each class and contact those kids teachers to get one recipe idea that they like and type out recipes for each of those kids. I will ask the principals if we can include the child's last name or only their first name for the students that we submit a recipe for. Emily H. 3/9/19

3. Next Steps/ \$250 Grant for Project (Amanda A., Jan H. & Group)

Decisions need to be made on whether we will have the cookbooks made or if we will make the cookbooks ourselves. Once all recipes are received, we need to check the roster for kids who did not turn in recipes and the teacher will ask what the child likes so that we can input a recipe under each child's name so each child has one listed.

We may want to decide to make our own cookbooks as this allows us more personalization. The company that makes the books for us only allows for personalizing a cover. I think for additional fees we can personalize the inserts that separate out the categories of recipes. I know for sure tho on the actual recipe pages it only allows for text. I will bring the info for the cook book company to the next meeting but i'm thinking we may want to consider putting these together on our own to make it more personal. If we come up with a committee we should be able to make our own pretty easily. I'm thinking one weekend, a few bottle of wines, and a few of us awesome PTO members, we could easily put this together.

Also, if we decide to use the cookbook company, it takes 30-40 days to get the cookbooks once we order them so due to time constraints, building our own cookbook seems much more appropriate.

More discussion is needed....

C. Update on ACT breakfast reimbursement

There will be two dates for ACT test: March 12th and April 2nd due to 5 students being on the Close-Up trip on March 12th. We will likely see 2 reimbursement requests come to us for this reason.

D. Butterbraid Fundraiser Updates (Jen G.)

Order forms went home in children's backpacks on 3/5/19. Posts have also been made to the Wilton PTO Facebook page.

## NEW BUSINESS

A. Honor Society Ceremony-March 27<sup>th</sup>

1. Volunteer to pick up cake

Anne E. spoke with Mrs. Durkin and will have Mrs. Durkin pick up the cake and PTO will reimburse for this. Mrs. Durkin will purchase the juice, cups & decorations. The school does have a large coffee pot. I do not know if PTO has coffee in tupperware. I think it would be fine to just have juice & cake. If someone has that Wednesday off, Mrs. Durkin would appreciate help with set up, cutting & serving cake. If not, we can ask another Honor Society mom that will be attending. Anne E

B. Final dance updates

1. Volunteer sign up I am in the process of creating the sign up genius for the two dances. I am waiting to send it out until Monday

3/11/19 because I need to see if we can get in the gym on Friday 3/22/19 to decorate rather than do it all on Saturday morning since it takes so long and there is softball practice in the gym that Saturday morning until noon, so we will have to decorate the gym after that from probably 12:30 to 2. Hoping to get into the school Friday night at 6:30 to decorate the lunchroom and home ec room (for photos) and get that done. You will see what I find out once I send the sign up out. If we cannot go in Friday night we will go in Saturday morning around 9:30 to begin decorating. Emily Hutzenbiler 3/9/19  
Update: A Sign Up Genius was created and sent out to the group for both dances.

NEXT MEETING DATE: April 8th

Update: I agree that we should go ahead and make the cookbooks ourselves. I think that is our best option. I have all the cover pages and the pictures the kids have drawn. I am wondering if we can print the pages in color...the recipes would be in black, however the pictures the kids drew are in color....so it wouldn't use too much ink as the pictures were made in a 2" x 2" each square template page I sent the teachers, so they are very tiny. The rest could all be in black and white though...the cover pages with the kids signed names on them are all in black and white as well. We should probably pick a date and make a committee to go ahead and make the cookbooks. First we need to send out an order form with the students to see how many copies everyone would like to purchase and we need to decide the price of the cookbooks. If we decide on a price, maybe I should type up an order form so we can know by the next meeting how many copies we need to make and be ready to get together and make them and send them home as we are nearing the end of the school year??  
Thoughts? Emily Hutzenbiler