Notre École Parent-Teacher Organisation (PTO) Minutes Meeting on Tuesday May 3rd, 2022, 8:30 pm via Zoom

Present: Valérie Grand Marschner, Lilia Spitzack, Claire Corvaisier, Lida Noll, Olga Tolle-Rodrigues

1/ Vote on the Minutes from 4/5/22

Four in favor. One abstains. Minutes approved. **Vote on the Minutes from 2/28/22**

All in favor. Minutes approved.

2/ Spring Festival debrief

Overall, a successful event from the kid's perspectives, they all had a fun time. What went well:

- Green screen activity was a big hit
- Kids liked to play with the balloons
- Kids liked dancing if an adult was guiding them
- Great décor by Lida
- Good organization for the aftercare kids: they all wore a bright orange jersey

Things to improve:

- Not enough participation of families: how can we get them more involved?
- In general, parents and kids didn't dance a lot. Having an entertainer, to lead the dance floor would be helpful
- Kids were asking for more kid's activities
- Some kids who were at aftercare and didn't have their parents there couldn't get food and were disappointed
- We didn't sell a lot of food
- We couldn't reach out to all the families because some families are not part of the school directory

3/ Teacher appreciation week

On behalf of the PTO, Valerie delivered donuts for the teachers at Notre Ecole this morning, Tuesday May 3rd. Lilia is delivering French pastries from Bellecour tomorrow morning for the teachers as well.

4/ Science Fair

The Science Fair is organized by the school only: on Friday May 6th.

PTO will help by providing snacks and drinks to all the kids. Each kid will receive a snack/drink ticket and they can come get their madeleine and juice from the PTO table during the event with their ticket. PTO board members will take turn at the table to distribute the snacks.

5/ Kermesse

"Kermesse" is the end of the school year summer festival, co-organized by the school and the PTO.

Logistics:

- Date: June 3rd
- Aftercare will be cancelled on that day
- All current Notre Ecole families and extended families and members of the community are invited Food:
 - PTO will sell juice, soda, water and ice cream

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- In addition, PTO wants to organize a bake sale: asking families to donate baked goods that we can sell
- Claire to look into food cost for ice creams at business center/restaurant depot/Costco

Activities:

- Raffle: we need at least 5 prizes (note: we will only take cash for raffle)
- We can ask parents for prizes (ideas: dinner/restaurants/gift cards etc.)
- Kids activities: face painting (we need at least 2 people doing face painting)
- Throwing the can
- Bean bags

Next step:

- Olga will draft an email for the families
- Valerie will create the sign-up genius: asking parents to sign up to donate baked goods, to volunteer during the event, to donate prizes for raffle
- PTO will schedule a meeting with Notre Ecole to discuss details of the Kermesse

6/ Future of the PTO

We received no candidates for the open PTO board members positions.

The current board will do some "recruiting on Friday at the Science Fair as well as before/after school. The current board agrees to stay as an interim board until September and do an election then, unless we are able to recruit between now and then.

7/ Parents voice

- PTO needs to reach out to the volunteers from the spring festival to thank them personally for their help.

8/ Motion to terminate the meeting

All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 9:19pm

Next meeting: 6/7/22 at 8.30pm