

Mason School Club Meeting Minutes

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September 6th, 2023

Next Meeting: Tuesday October 3rd @ 2 PM

In Attendance:

Karen Mann, Heather Sabotka, Courtney Landry, Tracey Wood, Kate Norman, Tanya Chesnell

Updates:

- Heather Sabotka will be retiring and stepping down from her position in the School Club after this school year, new recruits to Mason School Club will be needed.
- Heather will get each teacher to update their Amazon wish-lists and send them to Tanya who will create a QR code for each list. The links will also be posted to the Facebook page.
- There are currently 97 students in school (11 in Preschool)

Farmer's Market: Saturday September 16th

- Farmer's Market invited the school/school club to have a donation booth or to include an activity at the upcoming Farmer's Market. Due to the last-minute nature of this, the School Club decided it wouldn't be possible to participate and secure volunteers for this event.

Open House/Book Fair: Thursday September 14th

- Bake sale: We will need about 6 different baked good items to be sold as a "donation" with a donation box. Each attendee at the meeting will ask one person to bring an item, and there should be plenty of baked items to sell. Heather will bring the donation box from home and provide bags of popcorn. We will recruit people to man the table as possible throughout the evening, but it can be left unattended as necessary.
- Tanya will create a sign-up sheet to be left in each classroom and on the bake sale table looking for volunteers to join the School Club. Attendance of meetings is not necessary to be part of/helpful to the School Club, and all forms of assistance are gratefully accepted. We are going to make sure to create check boxes on the sign-up sheet to determine the best method of communication (e-mail, Facebook, etc.) for those interested to gain more participation.

Upcoming Field Trip: Thursday October 5th

- Apple orchard field trip: Students will pay \$10 each for the field trip (\$12 if the school decides to include donuts and cider), the School Club will pay for buses

and the remaining costs associated with the field trip. Preschool and Kindergarten will not participate in the corn maze, but the older children will. The field trip will be in the morning, and the Eyes on Owls presentation will happen in the afternoon.

Fall Festival

- The Halloween Festival will become the Fall Festival to be more inclusive to all students, and it will run similarly to last year's event on October 31st, Tuesday morning. The class parties, costume parade and trick-or-treating will occur in the afternoon, similar to last year.
- There will be 5 stations:
 - Gym station: Coordinated and run by Mrs. Mann + teachers.
 - Four additional 30-minute stations to be coordinated and run by the School Club in the art room, cafeteria, 5th grade classroom, and on a mobile cart that will travel to each classroom.
 - Food station
 - Possibly caramel apple decorating? Local apples?
 - Craft station
 - STEM station
 - Game station
 - We will need ideas for each station for the next meeting.
- Teachers will decorate the cafeteria and hallway the weekend before.
- Touch base with Mrs. Mann if supplies will be needed before purchasing, as she has a large stockpile of materials.
- The schedule for classes is ready.

Fundraiser

- Funds are dipping, and with the teacher checks and upcoming field trip, the School Club will need a fundraiser soon.
- Nicole at Marty's had mentioned holding an event for a School gathering/fundraiser, and we would like to pursue this option. Heather will pass along the contact information to Tanya to coordinate something.
- Popcornopolis: This fundraiser is always successful, and easy to coordinate. We are hoping to get the brochures out in October and give the students a few weeks to sell before collecting. It would be ideal to get the popcorn to the kids before either Thanksgiving or December break so popcorn can be distributed to families. Tanya will order brochures.

Craft Fair: December 4th-7th

- The Town Hall offered to host it again, but the Church may still be the best option for the Craft Fair based on the success of the past two years.
- Shopping will likely be Wednesday and Thursday.

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