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Davis Richmond PTO Meeting
September 21st, 2023 Davis LRC
6:00pm

- Welcome
 - Next Meeting Time
 - During the day at Richmond, possibly 1:30 in the community room
 - Principal/Teacher Reports
 - Gina Shaw
 - Lisa Simoncelli-Bulak
 - Davis Richmond Teacher update
 - Finance Update (Jill)
 - Current Bank Balance
 - Recent Expenses
- DPTO (Alisa)
 - Update
- Restaurant Night Update (Sarah P.)
 - Atlas \$193
 - Chipotle 10/18
- Room Parent Info (Alisa)
 - Closed 9/15
 - 134 parents volunteered
 - 1st grade- Galvan (has one room parent)
 - 2nd grade- Heynck (has no room parents), Martinez (has no room parents)
 - 3rd grade- Davalos (has one room parent), Navarro (has no room parents)
 - 4th grade- Lyman (has no room parents)
 - 5th grade- Anderson (has one room parent)
 - ACCESS- Balaskovits (has one room parent- she indicated that she will need some help)
 - There are also classes with too many volunteers- Backer, Miller and Bolsoni have 10 room parents, which means 1 parent from each of those classes won't be able to attend a party. I will reiterate in my email that there are other opportunities to

volunteer in-person outside of being a room parent

- Ways parents can help:
 - Class party supplies- Finding alternative ways to fund class party rather than relying solely on room parents. Options- room parents work with the teacher on a party fund that class parents can donate \$ to if they wish OR once a party is planned, the lead room parent asks the teacher to add a list of needed supplies to their weekly newsletter in hopes of getting donations from class parents. This alleviates the financial burden on the room parents, which definitely adds up.
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 - Parent contact list- Lead room parents can create a Google doc and send to the teacher to disseminate to class parents. This would be optional to complete, but a great way for families to connect for playdates, invitations, homework help, etc. The lead room parent can also disseminate the teacher's favorite things (lists are in the front offices) this way. This was approved last year by the principals, but just wanted to confirm that I can add it to the doc.
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 - Teacher gifts- Lead room parents can plan a teacher gift(s) from the class, which is optional. Last year in one class, parents donated money toward an emailed gift card and did not receive confirmation that the gift was given (we found out that it was). The school year ended and they were wondering what happened. Therefore, we were wanting to advise against emailed gift cards (since teachers may miss the emails) and want to ask that lead room parents give some type of "proof" that the gift was received (photos, forward the response from the teacher, etc.) to send to the class parents.
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- Trunk or Treat (Sarah)
 - New Date and Time- October 19 4:30-6:30 to accommodate kids arriving home late on busses
 - Tickets- available on Pushcoin, \$5 per student and there is an option to pre-purchase raffle tickets 10 for \$10
 - Raffles will include teacher experiences and a few other items and experiences (thanks to Beef Shack, St. Charles Park District, Hickory Knolls)
 - We have space for 25 cars
- Spiritwear (Sarah P.)
 - Update- have made about \$100 so far
 - We need to create a spreadsheet with old spirit wear stock and offer at fire sale prices, offer to teachers first
- Donations (Alisa)
 - Nurse Peggy- donated underwear
 - Costumes- donations welcome in all kid sizes!
- Big Hearts of Fox Valley (Sarah P.)
- Walk to School
 - Wed Oct 4

- Additional Items- Kacie has looked up many fundraising opportunities, one of them is the Chicago Steel game. They also offer a free assembly that we want to coordinate the same week that we pick a game to go to.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:07 pm

Attendance

Sarah Petro

Alisa Sawka

Melissa Baswell-Williams

Jill Chandler

Tracie Landells

Kacie Sikorski

Alison Winter

Natalie Troiani

Kate Donnelly

Lisa Simoncelli-Bulak

Sarah Perkins