

9/18/2023

11th Grade Class Meeting Minutes: Mrs. Bailey-Warren took notes because we didn't have officers yet

Palin was absent so it was just Brooke.

Roles: Palin-Student Council Rep., Brooke-Secretary, Pailin and Brooke-Co-Presidents

Brooke and I discussed Niagara Falls briefly. I told her that she and Palin if they are bored/have time on a bus ride, etc. that they can Google "things to do in Niagara Falls, NY."

Do we have to go to Niagara Falls? Pailin missed the Boston trip with Johnsburg school.

We discussed the community project/service fundraisers. We have questions about those too.

Trying to think outside the box I brought up an idea. The organization Samaritan's Purse delivers shoeboxes made by people to children all over the world. These shoe boxes contain age appropriate items such as a toothbrush/toothpaste, sunglasses, an outfit, sandals, a coloring book and crayons, a washcloth and bar of soap, etc. Oftentimes the sender includes a little note for their child. For many of these children this is the only gift of this magnitude they receive in their lifetime. I make these boxes yearly, and they depart our region just prior to Thanksgiving. The girls would pick the age and sex of their child, they would help contribute a few items of their choosing to their box and write a note to their child. Since I already do the boxes I buy stuff already. We also are able to track the boxes and see where they end up in the world.

Brooke really liked this idea. Is this do-able? Samaritan's Purse is a Christian organization and we do understand about keeping God/religion separate from school. However, the only connection that our community project has is that the boxes get delivered (by me) to either my church or Long Lake Wesleyan Church.

Separation of Church and School can be maintained, there is no religious teaching.

For another community project/service fundraiser, again we wanted to think outside the box a bit. Collecting the tabs off of soda cans, soup cans, any of those cans that have tabs for The Ronald McDonald House in Albany? My son's class did it for 4 years and donated around 1,600 pounds. They turn them in and get a certain amount, like 50 cents per pound. Since they are a non-profit, and they never charge anyone to stay with them, something like this is helpful to them.

Our thought is to set up containers around school, and contact Stewart's headquarters to see if we can set up a container there and collect them for the school year.

Brooke also really liked this idea.

We will catch Pailin up on the happenings of this meeting.