

PTO Meeting Minutes

April 7th, 2021

Attendees: Ryan Berardi, Lindsey Strauss, Stephanie Bowers, Kara Zimmerman, Lisa Ruth, Tracy Motz

- I. Welcome & Introductions
- II. Teacher Rep. Comments – Thank you from grades 3 & 4 for fulfilling Scholastic wish lists
- III. Principal Comments – Dr. Berardi
 - a. Student Information Request (Next Year) – Coming Soon
 - i. An opportunity to list your child's strengths, opportunities for growth, etc. in order to assist with homeroom planning for the 2021/2022 school year.
 - b. PSSA Reminder – One of Many Measures
 - i. Grades 3-6 will participate. Testing will be proctored by different homeroom teachers while still following current safety regulations.
 - c. Pre-K at WSD
 - i. 2021/2022 school year will debut new need-based ½ day play-based socialized learning program at Kissel Hill for year prior to Kindergarten. It is expected that if all goes well, all other elementary schools in the district will adopt this program in the 2022/2023 school year. Questions regarding vulnerability and need will be asked as part of the admission screening.
 - d. 2021-2022 Approved Calendar
 - i. <https://tinyurl.com/yf4tavzu>
 - ii. Always subject to change and can be found on Superintendent's Page at the district website.
- IV. Treasurer's Report – Lisa Ruth
 - a. Deposits of \$275 from Moe's and \$53 from AmazonSmile to report.
 - b. Expenditures consisted of \$224 donation to Music for Everyone for Kindness Week fundraiser.
 - c. Total cash balance of \$34,059.78 in checking and money market accounts as of 4/01/2021. PTO balance is projected to be \$31,220.42 for end of year.
- V. Old Business
 - a. Box Tops (Meryl Reist Gibbel, Chair) – App is not raising dollar amounts comparable to physical Box Tops – any input/suggestions? One suggestion raised was promotion of PTO donations via AmazonSmile which requires one-time setup and no further maintenance.
 - b. Moe's Restaurant Night
 - i. Total kits sold = 55; amount raised \$275
- VI. Current Business
 - a. Staff Appreciation Week (Heather Heisey & Emily Ziegler, Chairs) 4/12 – 4/16
 - i. Mon. & Tues.: "You're the Sweetest" – Candy theme
 - ii. Wed.: "Thanks for Thinking Outside the Box for Our Students" – boxed catered lunch from Slate
 - iii. Thurs.: "Thanks for Making Our Students Smart Cookies" – Cookie theme
 - iv. Fri.: "Chip Chip Hooray! We Appreciate You" – Snack theme
 - v. Thank you to our parent volunteers for individually packaged treat donations!
 - b. Scholastic Dollars/Teacher Wishlists (Lisa Ruth, Chair) – Orders were delivered today (4/7)
 - c. Yearbook (Katy Christy, Chair) – Orders due 3/31. 250 orders placed online.
 - d. 6th Grade Party (Lisa Ruth, Chair)
 - i. Idea suggestions were gathered from Student Council delegates, but no physical gatherings outside of school are endorsed by the district at this time due to COVID. At this time gift(s) in lieu of the party seem like the most realistic option.
 - e. Save-The-Date: Rita's Night (June 7)

- i. Under current restrictions, this event will probably not be possible unless a drive-up system can be put in place instead of lines.
- f. No open officer positions - 2021/2022

VII. Open Comments

- a. Upcoming Meetings (to be held on Zoom): May 3 – last one of the school year!

VIII. Adjournment