

Jefferson School PTO Minutes

January 19, 2022

Board Members in Attendance: Laurie Boe, Dana Pergola,
Penny Buccheri, Laura Toth, Dr. Droske

The Meeting (in person and via zoom) was called to order at 7:36 by Laurie Boe followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

- o **Minutes Accepted: Jenn Lorper and Anna Fusco**
- o **Treasury Report: We** have \$32,912.30
- o **Correspondence:** Thank you cards from staff luncheon. Thank you from Dr. Droske for holiday gift Thank you– from Nancy McCallister’s Family
- o **Principal’s Report**
 - o **Start of new year with week of remote.**
 - o **Thanks for continue support following guidelines that are ever changing. Always speak with Dr. Droske and nurse. Reminder – only PCR no rapid. If child is considered a close contact, siblings are allowed in school, but monitor for symptoms. If fully vaccinated and/or had covid in last 90 days, student does not need to quarantine if exposed. Only one grade in the cafeteria at a time – allows for more spacing, but sadly, less socialization.**
 - o **Indoor recess periodically – over 32* outside.**
 - o **PTO donating money for indoor recess game.**
 - o **Have children dress appropriately for weather.**
 - o **Report cards coming out soon via parent portal.**
 - o **Winter Concert tentatively scheduled for February.**
 - o **BOE updates – approved some additional supports:**
 - **Google Hotline for Teacher/Student support**
 - **Almost done with renovations – few finishing parts. Windows are done, doors are next. Shades going on windows.**
- o **SEPAC – next meeting 1/26 Still collecting pull tabs**
- o **HEF doing portraits in the park. More info coming**
- o **Committee Reports**
 - o **Box Tops: \$118 check came in total \$139**
 - o **Yearbooks:** Grade parents please take and share photos with Tara from the year. Email to Tara jeffersonyearbookpictures@gmail.com. Can purchase online. Next week last week to order.
 - o **STEAM to-go – will launch shortly. Flyer going out. \$25 per kit**
 - o **Gal/Pal – pushed off to spring hoping to do outdoors**
 - o **Playground Committee:** See Above and discussion about tree coming out to make more space on side on school. Painting in the spring on the blacktop.
 - o **Square One:** some orders were delayed. Changes made – Next activity will be done soon, in time for deliveries for Mother’s day
 - o **Cookie Dough: Pushed back to spring**

- o **Justin's Give Back** – Jeannie reaching out
- o **Media Center Grand Opening** – Curious Reader reaching out to some local authors to read the students.
- o **Dinner Dance** – concerns about COVID, donations, ticket sales. Looking into spring dates.
- o **PTO purchased outdoor tables** – one came damaged, had to send both back. Expecting to have new ones soon.
- o **TREPS** – April 11th looking for parent volunteers to help with check in and help with organization and support.
- o **Students Change Hunger:** Raised \$2,435 for community Food Bank of NJ which provided 7,305 meals to neighbors in need.
- o **New fundraising ideas? Please share with PTO**

Dates to remember: next meeting is 2/16 @7:30

Motion to adjourn: Jenn lorper and tara Oostdyk