

January 2022 PTO minutes

Attendees- Sal Urso, Karen Despres, Tim Chiaverini, Tracy Sisti, Joe Miller, Katie Niemiec, Jennifer Jurgen, Imelda Mongillo, Allie Alquist, Nina Zampino, Kelly Smith

Meeting opened at 6:35

Discussion was started by Tracy Sisti regarding the courtyard and the purchases that PTO has made to date. Sal Urso did comment that the courtyard is coming along and with the recent addition of a Putting green and ping pong table the students are really enjoying the space. Karen Despres has created a sign up and encouraged all teachers to use the space. The sign up had almost all teachers using the space.

Principal's report-

Principal reported that back to school following the holiday break has gone well. There was a DC trip meeting on 1/6/22 where details on what can and cannot be done was discussed. Decision will come soon on whether or not they are going to try to go in the spring. If not, alternatives will be looked into. 8th grade outing will go on for sure.

1/28 is "have fun at work day" Karen Despres is planning a trivia event for the kids and staff. Looking for some funds for prizes. \$400 was approved by the PTO. This will come from the "fund your classroom" line item of the budget.

The school has COVID 19 tests available in the office for those that have been exposed or have symptoms. Request to sign them out and then report results to the school. So far about 50 tests have been passed out to families that have requested them.

Fundraising- \$3200 raised in the first trimester with Berlin wear, Lyman Pies and Unfundraiser. Plans underway for restaurant nights in January and February. The unfundraiser will be run again this winter and the fundraising committee recognized they are working on a Trivia night with Coles Road Brewery, feedback was obtained on best timing. More to come.

Cash/GC calendar discussed as well as possible photography day in the spring. Kona Ice is in discussion as well.

Upcoming events-

January 17 MLK day, no school

- January 27th Sliders night
- February 16, PTO meeting
- Feb 2nd APD
- Feb 18-22 winter break