

Jefferson PTO Minutes

September 16, 2020

Board Members in Attendance:

Kim Wolfe, Lesia Malli, Laurie Boe, Meg Gehrmann, Jessica Villarreal, Stephen Droske

Total in Attendance: 24

The virtual zoom meeting was called to order at 7:31 by Kim Wolfe. The Pledge of Allegiance was spoken.

Minutes were accepted by Meg Gehrmann and Dana Pergola

Treasury Report: Kim reported we have \$22,173.61 - accepted by Laurie Boe and Laura Toth

Correspondence: We received a thank you notes from each of our scholarship recipients

Principal's Report Dr. Droske discussed navigating our unique school year and focusing on connections. The entire summer was spent deciphering how to best re-open and things were changing up to the final week before opening and are continuing to work out changes.

He addressed the emailed questions regarding picture day. It will take place outside, one class at a time. You will receive an email from the picture company about purchasing photos. There will be a day for each cohort and all virtual students will sign up with Nancy. There will be retakes and possible sibling pictures taken at a future date.

-The school windows are kept open and students are outside throughout the day, it is getting cool, so please send a sweatshirt with your child to school.

-As far as workload for remote days, each teacher is encouraged to give a "to do" list daily to help caregivers/facilitators some guidance. Two lessons per day should involve the teacher (or other same grade teacher (ex. A video mini lesson) to encourage connection to the teacher; also daily live contact with the class and small group instruction (virtual) as well as bringing both cohorts together virtually on Wednesdays to build community.

-He is available to parents for questions, but please make an appointment because of time restraints

-Over the summer the school roof was replaced as per the referendum (some flashing needs to be completed)

Committee Reports:

SEPAC - Liz & Audri - hoping to hold color run in the spring, pull-tabs will not be collected in schools, but will be collected at a later date with details forthcoming. Our next meeting will be on 9/23 via zoom - information forthcoming. All are welcome to join.

MIP - Laurie - Jefferson Moms in Prayer meets monthly to pray for our school, teachers, administrators and students. Please join our facebook page for more information (Jefferson Moms in Prayer)

Directory - Jenn Lorper - see link in email, facebook, paper sent home or PTO web page to give your information to be printed in the school directory and to become a PTO member.

Book Fair - Kim - Ginger is working with Scholastic as per our financial agreement with them. There will be a virtual book fair - details to come

Art in Motion: KIm -organized by Penny - on hold for now

Kids Stuff Books - Kim - Kelly Bosgra - coupon books \$25 - will be online order and delivered to your home - currently on delay

Harvest Fest - canceled

Spirit Wear sale - Mellissa Fox - online ordering through the 28th

Grade Parents - Jenn Lorper - still need parents for Farkas, Yetter, Ruben, 4th and Knesevitch; email will be coming for a zoom between grade parents to discuss

Dinner Dance - Jenn Lorper - working on a date with the brownstone for March

Halloween - brainstorming on trunk-or-treat off campus and a guess Dr. Droske's costume contest

PlayGround Committee - Laurie - the engineer is trying to connect with the manager of building and grounds to move forward in our endeavor; the Committee will be meeting this month to discuss visuals and fundraising ideas.

Box Tops - Laurie - please download the app and scan your grocery receipts! Any physical box tops can be sent in to Nancy for collection.

Stop-n-Shop - please register your card online for our school for fundraising for Jefferson

New Business:

Virtual Mums Sale - order online/ pick up at school - Meg G. will coordinate

Garden in front of the school needs upkeep - will be purchasing flowers and may need some volunteers to help plant

New virtual fundraising ideas are needed - please submit your ideas and willingness to help with them to Kim

-Carrie M mentioned Curious Reader in Glenrock - Never ending book fair program to benefit the school - also has a guided reading library

*Mr. Droske mentioned that there will be a virtual back to school night the first week in October

The next PTO meeting will take place October 14th via zoom at 7:30 pm

A motion to adjourn was accepted by Jenn Lorper and Jess Villareal at 8:49