

May 14, 2020

PTA Board for 2019-2020 School Year

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PTA Meeting Agenda

- Review and approval of meeting minutes from April 9th, 2020
- Principal's Report: Garin Bogenholm
- Title One/Family Involvement Year End Review: Sue Wenthin
- Parent Support Group Proposal: Tina Hogberg, School Social Worker
- Treasurer's Report: Mark Barsness
- Staff Appreciation Week: Lynne Bradbury
May 4th- 8th, video collage created for LC Staff, made available by link on Special Announcement email, gift bags (Because Distance Learning wine tumbler and bottle of wine in LC logo tote bag) given out at start of LC Staff Car Parade
- Walk-a-Thon: Sarah Schumacher
"At Home" event, Thursday, May 21st, 1-3pm and 5-7pm, Ms. Johnson making "Warm Up" video, Mr. Bogenholm making "Encouragement" video clip, still raising funds, using 99 Pledges, but messaging will be to target next year activities. Students walk 1 hour and can post a photo to the gallery on our website
- Variety Show: Alisha Barze
Alisha working with Andy Walz to put on an Online Edition prior to end of school year, 10 students so far from initial participant list, recruiting at large from 4-6 graders via LC PTA Facebook Group, then to all grades if necessary.
- Club's Choice Fundraiser: Mike Bradbury
Limo rides due for 27 students; rebate to date \$489; no chair/coordinator found yet
- Student Directory: Jenny Goodfriend
Waiting until next school year
- Yearbook Distribution: Alisha Barze and Mark Barsness
- Amity Intern Program: Mike Bradbury/Rebecca Forman/Teresa Chavez/Silvia Colell Valdes
- 2020-2021 Leadership Recruitment/Election Ballot: Mike Bradbury

Meeting Minutes

Principal's Report: Garin B.

-Plans for next year's staffing were shared. Open positions have been posted and a couple new staff have been hired.

- Staff priorities to keep in mind include: class size, intervention support for split grade levels, mental health support, and to keep special programs like bridging.
- We had 25 classrooms this year, the plan is to have 24 classrooms next year. Many split classrooms but since adding the 3rd DLI Kinder classroom, hoping to decrease splits as they move up.
- New DLI Kinder teacher- Claudia Neu
- New DLI 1st grade teacher- Laura Youngquist, coming back to LC
- New DLI 2nd grade teacher- Teri Petrin
- A couple teachers moving to a different grade level or new role
- Preliminary class placement will begin on May 22. Enrollment will continue to be monitored over the summer and adjustments made as necessary.

-District/Building Announcements

- All students (except seniors) will keep technology, library books, and school materials throughout the summer.
- Report cards will be marked Not Evaluated (NE) for the 3rd trimester and teachers will make individualized written comments.
- Kinder and 6th grade graduations are being planned. Will be Online per MDE and MDH.
- 2020 fall planning: schools are being asked to put together plans for face to face learning, continued distance learning and plans for a hybrid of the two. Our district is doing well in planning/preparing for distance learning.
 - Question raised about a timeline of when we might know more about how school might look this fall. Kitty Goggins, school board member, stated per Gov. Walz, he did not think schools would be back full time this fall. Timeline is hard to pinpoint. Challenging decisions to be made and summer school is still being worked out.

- Summer planning is underway. Currently LC serves 15-20 students/day needing childcare and 150-200 families/day with food.
- 56 staff cars participated in the Little Canada Parade!! A video with a link to the parade will be coming soon.

Title One Review: Sue Wenthin

Events title one sponsored this year:

- Back to School Curriculum Night. Since Title one is a school wide plan, they can work with any student who needs it.
 - Flexible conference times, transportation and interpreters if needed
 - Technology Night
 - PTA family involvement events
 - Listening session-has been cancelled 2 years in a row. Hoping to do it next year!
 - General Communication: Classroom newsletters 2x/month
 - Partners in Learning: Document shared at conferences that has a section for the student, parent, and teacher each to pledge their commitment for the upcoming year.
- Any questions or changes to this document? Suggestion to change 'parents' to 'guardian'. Question asked about having documents in other languages? There are over 60 languages in the district. There is a cultural liaison to help with this.

Staff Appreciation- Lynne Bradbury:

Wine mugs "because Distance Learning" along with a Little Canada tote bag and a bottle of wine were given to the teachers and staff! It was well received! Thanks Lynne and Mike!

Parent Support Group Proposal: Tina Hogberg, Social Worker

- Some families have reached out asking for a parent support group. Looking to brainstorm ideas:
- Facebook group was set up a couple days ago. 25 members so far.
 - Perhaps a teacher directed parent support
 - Tips for parents to help with kids
 - There is a Student Mental Health Support Page

PTA Program Updates: Mike

- A big thanks to all the PTA board and members for all the help this year!
- PTA had 4 goals going into the year in hopes to pass the baton equitably:

1. Maintain status quo of current programs/activities
2. Grow new programs, like Amity and Bridging
3. More communication
4. Increase participation and get more involvement, including ELI families

-Walk a Thon: Will be an at home event this year, do it on your own. Hoping to get a warm up video from Ms. Johnson and an encouragement clip from Mr. Bogenholm. Will be raising funds using 99 pledges, money will be going towards next years funding.

-Variety Show- Alisha B. is working on an online variety show

-Club's Choice- We signed a 3 year contract, next year is our 3rd year. We get .20/item sold as a bonus. Our current bonus would be \$489. 27 students earned limo rides this year, hope to include them into next years rides. Are options for Club's choice next year. Possible change it to November and it could be done mostly online.

-Student Directory- will be holding off on it for this year. A plan is in place for next year with hopes to get a directory out by MEA break.

-Yearbook- did get published. Will be mailed out, probably on June 3rd.

-Bridges: The school was able to cover the entire cost of Bridges this year, so the PTA is able to roll that money over to next year.

-Amity: 1 intern has been accepted for next year. She is from Madrid, Spain. Working on selecting a 2nd intern. So far 1 host family has been confirmed for next year.

Treasury Report- Mark

-Budgeted earnings for the year a little short, but we also spent less money due to the pandemic and no school events this spring. No celebration of nations, no school patrol party, able to keep our bridging \$ for next year. At the start of the year, we had around \$23,000. At the end of the year we have just over \$19,000 plus \$6500 specifically earmarked for Amity. Thanks Mark!

Election Ballet:

Still in need of a vice president for next year.

Lisa motions to approve the election ballet; Mark 2nd

Put to a vote, motion passes

HUGE thanks to Mike and the rest of the PTA!!

Motion to adjourn- Mark, Rebecca 2nd, Meeting adjourned