

PTA Meeting

Wednesday, February 10, 2021, 6:30 - 8:00PM

In attendance: Rebecca Fagan Gorospe, Anne Norman, Winnie Pong, Elaine Read, Brandy Hartford, Jenny Corduck, Beth Glick, Valerie Machinist, Christine Chang, Jaclyn Anderson, Joshua Curhan, Lakshmi Ramanath, Lauren Avery, Iris Goldfarb, Karin Ornstein, Stephanie Ryan, Taleen Gleeson

6:30 PM – Welcome and Introductions

6:35 PM – Principal Update

- Valentines roses were a huge hit, thank you! Extra thanks to Brandy Hartford for organizing this!
- Stories under the stars was a bit hit as well.
- Playground equipment – Beth Glick used her stipend to purchase playground equipment. Each class got their own, and equipment is cleaned between cohorts. Very grateful for the money and ability to get in kids' hands right after winter break.
- 2nd grade had a virtual field trip on the changing states of matter, funded by the PTA. Mr. Curhan and 2nd grade teachers are so grateful.
- 3rd and 4th grade also have done virtual field trips. K, 1, and 5 still need to do theirs.

6:50 PM – PTA Business

Budget Update

- Teacher reimbursable checks distributed 2 weeks ago, reminder to teachers that PTA needs the receipts.
- Cookie decorating made about \$700 after expenses.

PTA/O Positions

- Co-Treasurers 2021/22 – Winnie and Elaine are stepping down
- Co-VP Communications 2021/22
- Co-President 2021/22
- Adding new Co-VP-Cultural Events – Jackie Anderson voted into role by majority vote
- Stephanie leaving and will need someone to take over family math night

- **PTA/PTO Transition Update**
Made a lot of progress in January, PTO is incorporated and 501c3 was filed. Winnie and Elaine are setting up a new bank account
- In April, we will start going through official motions and host a community meeting
- Full transition will likely happen late spring/early summer

Community Service Update

- Spring Food Drive – still in planning stages

- **Fundraising Update**
February Teacher appreciation was the Valentine's roses - \$400 raised. See above under Principal's update. Big thank you to Brandy Hartford for organizing this!
- Bingo Class Basket Raffle – moving forward as a virtual/online event, classrooms should pick out themes
- Vacation craft kits postponed until April
- Kids Fun Run Fundraiser – will have to be virtual because of cohorts and safety concerns. Similar set up to read-a-thon. Kids will have a few weeks to fundraise and log miles, etc. May do a button or pin as a prize. Could use help organizing.

Updates on Events

- Passport to the World - this week! Beth Glick will be Emcee. May change to webinar format vs. regular Zoom meeting. 7pm on 2/11

- Science Fair - February/March – over 100 kids participating. Projects due on 2/21. Will put together a website that lists all the projects so entire school can view. First week of March, participants will meet with visiting scientists.
- After-school special interest clubs – going well so far! Origami club going well, kids had fun, even the kindergartner! Taught by Christine Chang. No meeting during vacation week. Jaclyn doing a dinosaur club. First meeting today, K-2 club and going well! 12 kids and a waitlist! Could we get 5th graders involved to help adults, as guest readers, etc.?
- Family Math Nights - Grades 2-3 – in February, 2/23 6:30pm. Stephanie, Taleen, and Lauren are organizing. Opened up to 50 spots and have 30 kids registered.
- Variety Show / Coffeehouse – Similar to Stories Under the Stars but with more variety. Hoping to do this in April.

8:00 PM – Adjourn

Upcoming Events:

- Passport to the World Session 1 - 2/11/21
- Family Math Nights - Grades 2-3, 2/23/21 - NEW DATE
- Family Math Nights - Grades K-1, 3/9/21
- PTA Meeting - 3/10/21
- Passport to the World Session 2 - 3/11/21
- Passport to the World Session 3 - 4/8/21