

# PPES PTA MEETING 11/08/2021

## MINUTES:

### ATTENDEES:

Liz Williams  
Jessica Wiltsee  
Courtney Opdyke  
Hilary Schmutz  
Amy Zahniser  
Christine Eschenfelder  
Caitlin Bognaski  
Mira Choe  
Courtney Caplan  
Andrea Buchanan  
Tricia Perkins  
Amy Manelli  
Sarah Altschuler (Zoom)  
Jill Molchan (Zoom)

- **Jessica called the meeting to order at 8:36 a.m.**
- **Jessica made motion to approve meeting minutes (09/14/2021). Minutes unanimously approved**

### Teacher Update:

- Tricia Perkins commented on success of fun run and teacher/staff appreciation of food
- Tricia wanted to clarify that teachers will receive 10% of what their classroom raised from fun run. Hilary confirmed that each classroom will receive 10% of what they raised for Fun Run 2021.
- The staff appreciation means a lot to everyone and is well received
- Outdoor eating tables a need for the school

### Teacher Appreciation (TA)Update

- Chairs Christine Eschenfelder and Jill Molchan presented TA budget to PTA Board
- Proposed \$5500, Board approved \$8500 for 2021-2022 school year
- Christine emphasized the PPES is lucky to have so many supportive families
- Latino community provided lunch that Jobana coordinated over PTC week-well received
- PTA Board approved 10% of total fundraising earmarked for TA 2021-2022 and 2022-2023
- Holiday gift cards to local businesses as PTA Holiday gift to staff
- Would like to support businesses that contributed to Fun Run (PC Gardens, ole miner car wash, the Bridge, Flying Sumo)
- Discussion of gift giving tree in lounge for staff to choose gift card of choice as holiday gift
- Discussion of denomination amount of gift cards (2 \$20 or 1 \$40) for every staff member provided by PTA from TA budget
- Upcoming TA events:
  - Dec. 13-Lucky Ones Coffee Truck sponsored by Mullin Family and Gallery MAR
  - Dec.15- Judy's Donuts
  - Lunch sponsored by The Opdyke Family sometime before Thanksgiving break. Courtney working out details with Mrs. Howe and Jobana
  - Parent Teacher Conferences Feb. 7-11
- TA committee to provide sign up genius for PTC week, Board to step aside from signing up unless needed

### Playground Equipment:

- Board identified this as a big need
- Board approved mini grant to provide new soccer goals and additional playground balls.
- Establish a sign up genius to procure additional equipment
- Hilary working with Jen Wheelwright to identify specific equipment needs
- Would like some carts to store equipment
- Have 5th graders pick up all equipment at end of last recess
- Amy Manelli represents Student Council and told of a video project in which student council members demonstrate appropriate behavior in hallways, playground, lunch room etc

#### **Budget Report:**

- Amy Zahniser presented current budget approved by Board
- Increased TA to \$8500
- Established Community Outreach \$2500-to provide spirit wear for kids in need
- Caitlin Bognaski questioned why PCHS scholarships were removed from Budget presented in September -3 \$1000 scholarships for a total of \$3000
- Jessica explained that the Board voted to keep the money directly at Parleys for 2021-2022
- Playground equipment
- Bus Barn breakfast -PTA to provide breakfast for transportation department in Fall and Spring (Courtney to coordinate first breakfast Nov. 17)
- Board voted to carry over \$10K of budget to following year as a safety net
- Jessica suggested that PTA help with Spirit Weeks
- Tricia Perkins suggested PTA provide winter clothing that stay in classrooms and extra PE shoes for those that forget-PTA to provide sign up genius to procure items
- Christine Eschenfelder suggested that student council provide artwork to wrap around utility boxes across street from school
  - Could act as a community outreach project for student council
- Air Purifiers-PTA supplied 2 years worth of filters for classroom air purifiers. Need to establish where they are stored
- Water filling stations: is it PTA responsibility to provide filters for water stations?
- Jessica made motion to approve Budget, Hilary seconded motion. Unanimously passed

#### **Book Fair**

- Courtney Opdyke provided update
- Extremely poor sales from fall online fair
- Board approved holding a second fair in Spring, hope to be an in person event
- Must get approval from principal
- Need additional fair to recover losses and provide Scholastic Newsletters
- Suggestions of wish list by each child for parents to shop
- Suggestion to hold Book Fair outdoors
- Suggestion to hold Book Fair in a room with access to door to outside and windows

#### **Safety Committee:**

- Andrea Buchanan provided update
- Good group of committed volunteers
- Can always use more volunteers
- Important to have crosswalk covered in the mornings
- Discussion surrounding sandwich board signage with catchy phrases to encourage cars to pull all the way to the front
- Sarah Altschuler presented need to repaint the bike lane and crosswalk in back parking lot
- Sarah has been asking School District and County but has had limited response
- Sarah to forward email to Board for follow up
- Liz Williams to contact Brandon (County Engineer) to initiate conversation about repainting the lines

#### **Additional Business/Comments:**

- Andrea Buchanan said that her daughter commented that kids aren't washing hands as frequently as last year

- Parents donate hand sanitizer to individual classrooms
- Suggestion of a hand sanitizing station

**Meeting Adjourned 9:35 a.m.**