



PTO Executive Committee Virtual Board Meeting
February 3, 2021

Attendees: Beth Carmody (Principal), Sara Dahlstrom (President), Nissa Cox (Vice President), Sandra Carlson (Treasurer), Brenda Miller (Assistant Treasurer), Annie Cudney (Communications), Amy Kay (Communications), Nicole Roberts (Secretary)

Call to order at 9:03am.

Approval of 1/6/21 Virtual Meeting Minutes:

Minutes emailed. Annie motions to approve. Sandra seconds. All in Favor. So moved.
***1/6/21 Minutes saved to Drive. Nicole will send 2/3/21 minutes by 2/10/21.**

Yearbook update – Nicole Roberts

E-mailed 4th grade chairs for “through the years” photos. Photographed recess. Will capture photos of students who recently moved to in person learning.

Principal’s Report – Beth Carmody

Crisis Go compliance remains districtwide issue. Some teachers vaccinated but limited availability. One positive case (classmates negative). Teacher appreciation week will boost morale. Return from spring break measures depend on vaccines and travel restrictions. PTO will send flowers to Helen Cha. Recess time may replace asynchronous videos. Some classes may increase reading time. Some students receiving additional support in school during off part of day.

President’s Report – Sara Dahlstrom

World Travelers: Upcoming planned.

Faculty Fun Lunch: Feb 19.

Magician: Will replace school dance. ***Annie will ask Sara for copy.**

Teacher Planning Day: Will replace District’s 1/26 SEL day.

WGST: PTO’s Progressive Fund will support Fall 2021 rehab.

PTO: Planning next Board. E-blast today. Maggie to host Zoom. Assistant treasurer, communications, secretary, and VP open. Send Maggie nominations. Vote on 4/7/21.

Marketing: New teacher appreciation banners. Nissa ordered sandwich boards.

May Fest: When to address? Hoping for a community outdoor event.

Field Day: Chairs will contact Mr. Klip regarding t-shirts and individual pod activities.

Events & Traditions: PTO waiting to see how health rules and metrics evolve. Beth and 4th grade chairs will make plans flexible enough to expand if Covid-based restrictions relax in spring. Mayfest raffle to proceed.

Treasurer's Report – Sandra Carlson & Brenda Miller

Progressive Fund to be utilized for WGST. \$7500 to \$8000 available. Remainder rolled into ordinary checking. PTO will retain healthy savings even if no Mayfest income.

Vice President's Report – Nissa Cox

Parents notified that we are not allowed to use edible items for craft projects.

School Board Meeting Update – Nissa

Washburne pod will merge for four-hour day between March 8 and April 5. Building allows 6 feet of distancing, utilizing gym and cafeteria space. Vaccine implementation will lead to further planning of extended school day for other district elementary schools. Betty Wier and Josh Swanner presented educational opportunities and challenges of extended day. Two new board members join in April. Adventures in Learning potentially held at Crow Island. Extended school year programming offered in format like last summer. Ten children per class. More academic classes offered to bolster learning. World Language curriculum approved. Maintenance projects at Hubbard Woods, Greeley, and Washburne. Special meeting on February 15th.

Communications Report – Annie Cudney & Amy Kay

E-blasts and Item. Some announcements combined so not overwhelming. Can promote Steam Night and Magician to kids directly using flyers and teacher announcements (chairs may email Beth and Margie). PR from magician can go on website or in Item.

Kid Cookbook

Alicia Rosauer and Yearbook Committee planning end of year kid's cookbook benefitting PTO. Could feature student illustrations, World Travelers recipes, and more.

Meeting adjourned at 10:34pm.