

## **PTO Meeting Minutes**

**April 5, 2021 via zoom**

**Attendees:** Lynette Williams, Seronda Robinson, Julie Kent, Easley Schack, Maren Schreiber, Kayley Talbert, Stephanie Riley, Cassie Lewis, Erica McRae, Mary Ross, Cory Hogans, Leah Vickers, Martha Camacho, Christina Randall, Emily Nicholson, Mrs. Bailey-Smith

**Meeting Began:** 6:00 pm

**Attendee Introductions-**we each introduced ourselves and said the best thing we did over Spring Break

**Amazon wish list update:** Such a success! Masks, hand sanitizer and stations, etc.

-able to purchase a couple carports

-anonymous donor matched up to \$2000 from amazon wish list, received a \$2000 check

-6 hand sanitizer stations

-purchased two more carports, working with maintenance to have them bolted into the concrete

-6 picnic tables purchased and already in use!

**Dine Out Night Recap:** Goal was \$1000

-local Zaxby's has done several...in March \$400 was raised

-\$1200 from Zaxby's alone, this year!

Another Dine out is next Monday April 12, and one in May and June

**Quarter Auction-**original plan was mid March, but with school beginning, decided to push to end of May

**Picnic Tables-** Maren and her family assembled these yesterday

-proposal to have more donated, \$150 to buy one

-thru Cheddar Up you can donate and then a plaque can be made to honor the family that purchased the picnic table

-trying to buy the plastic ones from Home Depot or Lowes

-hoping for 30 more tables (or more)

-Question was asked about tables being stolen: most will not be near front of school and hopefully not where people will see them

- maybe paint LR on the front
- put a chain thru all of them for the weekends, maybe

**PTO Activity:** Art Project with Ms. Nicholson

- teach virtual painting activity with rocks!
- kits will be available for parents to pick up for their child and they can paint their rocks and then make a rock garden, or rock river
- way for virtual kids to connect with Ms. Nicholson and LR community
- in person kids may either do it in art class, or parents may pick up and do at home as well.
- way for all kids to join together and contribute to something fun!
- Home Depot has dark black river rocks that will look nice, painted
- seeing if HD would be interested in donating the rocks
- can participate even if you don't have the kit, grab a rock, paint it, and bring it in!
- Rock Shop may be an option, if HD doesn't donate, or anyone else that may have some to donate
- could even ask kids to bring in rocks, and then see how many more we may need to purchase
- put info on FB page

**Flower Power Update:** raised over \$1200 profit so far

- fundraiser will continue until May 15
- some of the orders have started to ship, emails should be coming soon with shipping confirmation
- some items are hopefully being re-stocked by growers, and the website will reflect those changes, as they become available again

**Financial Update:** received our check from Harris Teeter \$270

- couple teacher reimbursements
- Zaxbys check is still coming in

**Hospitality Event-** last week Zaxby's catered and did a great job, very nice and delivered for free to the school, lunch for all staff

- Cassie made cute labels
- Maren, Stephanie, and Julie helped with the delivery

-provided "virtual" teachers vouchers for Zaxbys, since they didn't get a lunch

**Looking for help this year and next for Hospitality for teachers;** neat ideas but could use help putting things together and coming up with treats for teachers

-if your time is limited, can still come up with ideas, and someone else put them together!

**If you got an email, paid PTO member, tonight is elections for 2021-2022 school year**

Proposed offices:

President: Maren Schreiber

Co-Vice Presidents: Cassie Lewis and Julie Kent

Treasurer: Easley Schack

Financial Secretary: Seronda Robinson

Co-Secretaries: Stacey Swanson and Kayley Talbert

Julie officially made a motion to approve the proposed board, and Stephanie Riley seconded

Everyone voted in favor of the proposed officers, no one voted against

At the end of last summer meeting in August, budget meeting, the new board members will transition

Any new board members, will start being looped into communication, for smooth transition

Julie: Thanks to everyone this year on the board, Maren: Julie has lead the team and helped us not to flounder!

Need Committee volunteers for 2021-2022 school year!!! Need volunteers for Membership, Room Parents, Science Night, Book Fair, Carnival?, Quarter Auction, Hospitality, Family Nights, Go Play Save, Pasta, Flower Power, Little Shops?

If you have a friend you'd like to include, we'd love to have more parents' volunteer!

Maren: Maybe make a virtual option for future PTO meetings, would be a good idea to include more parents

-May zoom or call in for the future PTO meetings

-Online payment option has really been a good thing to transition into, this year.

**Dr. Hogans**-Life in person at LR

-fantastic opening with Elementary

-went smoother than anticipated

-able to absorb hiccups

-teachers did fantastic job

- can't thank PTO enough for partnership (picnic tables etc)
- children were so excited to be in the building
- wondered how Kindergartners and some First Graders would do-but the team did a great job transitioning them
- great couple of weeks, Spring Break, today went well and then return of Middle Grades to in person instruction on Thursday
- anticipate just as smooth transition
- Middle School took today to orient students of where and how to do in person school
- smooth opening overall
- Middle School is starting up
- CDC has published new guidelines for reopening
- some state guidelines have changed, but DPS hasn't changed much
- for ex. Looser guideline with temperature checking, but DPS will continue this
- Families continue to complete symptom checker each morning

Meeting Adjourned at 7:03pm

Next PTO meeting: May 3, 6pm, via Zoom.