

Roosevelt PTO Meeting
Meeting via Zoom
May 7th, 2021 0930 am

Present: Beth Vlerick, Genevieve Jones, Karen Simon, Larry Garstki, Ed Condon, Ellen Chamberlain, Erin Llanes, Ann Harmon, Amy Hansmann, Misty Olson, Ashley Palmer, Lisa Krusinski, Gwen Geraghty, Laura Huseby, Melissa Lutz, Kendra Chiprich, Audrea Montalbano, Cathriona Keane, Dionna Plywacz, Connie Rogers, Tim Artz, Katherine Nix, Amy Prestes. Sally Gregory, James Woods, Megan Hunkele, Maggie Clancy, Laura Minnis

Meeting called to order at 0931. Notes from April 9th 2021 zoom call approved. Gen moved to approve the minutes, they were seconded by Karen .

Vote on 2021-2022 PTO Board Slate

Board Slate was presented by Gen. Several committees were updated. The slate was approved with a show of at least 10 hands.

From Gen: Thank you Beth for all you have done for the past several years. Karen is rolling off Treasurer after 5 years! Ellen Chamberlain is leaving fun lunch after 3 years. Thank you to all!

For all those rolling off their committee positions, please reach out to new chairs and share pertinent information for next year.

Treasurer Report, Karen Simon

Expense reports shared for the year.

8th grade graduation is a pass through event, meaning that all money raised is used toward expenses related to graduation.

Fun lunch is usually the biggest income producer but due to circumstances this year, we are down. Luckily, Marla's Lunch should be bringing in more for the last two months of the year.

PTO donations doubled.

The February Service project, Sugarbeet Schoolhouse event; the revenue was donated, not kept by school.

Several licensing and computer program expenses were paid.

Money spent on family enrichments was basically zero this year, so spending way down on that.

Crossing guards, teacher gifts still part of expenses.

Karen went through entire report and invited questions.

See full report for more in depth information.

A question was posed on fun lunch: are we still expecting to make as much with Marla's as previously? Karen answered that yes, we should make as much as usual bc fun lunch has increased to 2X week.

Karen asked all to please submit reimbursement requests for next year asap. Forms can be found on school website.

Superintendent Report, Ed Condon

Dr. Condon offered a thank you to the PTO slate for both this year and next year.

Board notes:

Welcome to Sarah Eckman, who is joining the 3 returning school board members and was sworn in this week.

The Board presented a resolution that if consolidation of districts were to occur, it would be done at a local level.

New leadership was also elected at the meeting.

Fire and police departments assess and help improve district safety protocols every year. This will be conducted in late May as usual.

Summer school will be in person at Roosevelt this year, due to air conditioning projects at elementary schools. Many classes were filled.

The summer partnership with the local YMCA is still in place this year.

Working towards implementing and prioritizing the recommendations from the SEL advisory board so they will be in place for the 21/22 school year. These recommendations will align with the district mission statements.

Friday June 11th is the final day of school.

End of year celebrations have had to be reinvented for the year, and those plans are being put into action.

New staff interviews have started for next year.

Dr. Condon stated that he did not address current quarantines because so much information has already been shared, but welcomes any questions.

Principal Report, Larry Garstki

Five and half weeks left of school and graduation is coming up, block schedule is official for next year, sex education is being implemented, summer school is upcoming, band and orchestra concert is being planned, among other activities.

8th grade activities include: motivational speaker (same as previous years), graduation ceremony (held at OPRF football field) during the day at 10am, field day.

An email will be sent to 8th grade families today detailing activities and graduation specifics. Social distancing will be implemented, part of which means that each student will only be given 2 tickets per family. The ceremony will be live streamed for any student or family which cannot attend in person.

There is a large group of students quarantining due to covid exposure. Luckily we are able to quickly switch those students to remote which has continued to be in place all year.

Larry invited questions.

Have there been any large scale 8th grade quarantines? The answer was no.

Larry also shared that he may come to PTO with help closer to the ceremony.

Sex education opt out letters are being sent out. Candor group(which is being used this year for sex ed) has a website detailing the information shared with kids during the programs.

Co-President Report, Beth Vlerick, Genevieve Jones

Congratulation to new slate. Reminder to pass on information to incoming chairs. September 3rd, 9am is the first PTO meeting of next year, likely remote. We will also have welcome coffee on the first day of school on the circle drive.

February and November meetings will be at 7pm to see if we can increase the number of parents able to attend.

Pick up time for caps and gowns is today, signs are also available for pick up.

We received several thank yous from staff for teacher/staff appreciation gifts.

Bulletin will continue to run until the end of the year, even though this is the last meeting.

On May 21st, the new schedule will be shared during the PTO council meeting.

Nurse appreciation week is this week, so gift cards and flowers will be dropped off today.

The infection control officer will also be thanked.

Beth shared there will be a thank you party hosted, Tuesday, May 25th at Beth's house for all PTO members.

School Board Liaison Report, Maggie Clancy

No further information, beyond what Dr. Condon shared.

BOE notes are available.

Committee Reports

Fun Lunch, Ellen Chamberlain

Deliveries have been delayed several times. Due to the large number of quarantined students, those left over have been placed outside for family pick up.

Last fun lunch is the last day of school.

Thank you for moving forward from Larry.

8th Grade Coordinators, Ann Harmon, Sharon Barry

Is video still happening? No, because it is unnecessary now that ceremony is outside and in person. There will need to be a discussion and decision on how to give families who paid for the video their money back or how to reincorporate it.

PYD, Megan Hunkele

Deevora event was very successful, and the link has asked for since.

This month is mental health awareness month. There is talk of partnering with the high school for the week.

School Supplies

School Kitz will be used again, supplies will be sent to the student's home. Information will be sent out in the newest Bulletin. The school website will have lists of school supplies for those families who would rather buy on their own.

Hospitality, Laura Minnis

Starting Monday, bagels and coffee from Panera were delivered. A balloon arch and signs were present to greet the teachers. Cookies were delivered from Buzz Café, along with

cards made by the students. Today, Brown Cow will have a sundae bar for the teachers to be able to grab on their way out.

Larry shared that these efforts were so appreciated by staff and teachers.

Wellness breaks are also being given to staff as possible.

Old/New Business

A question was asked about when we can discuss more fun raising activities. Gen answered to get back to her with any ideas.

Gen closed out with a huge thank you to Beth and a welcome to Melissa.

Meeting adjourned at 1031.

Last PTO meeting of the year