Sand Creek Elementary PTO

Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: February 8, 2022 at 4:15 pm

Meeting Location: Sand Creek Library

Lauren Feigenslatt Susan Lyons Mollie Willie Kendra Delany

Katie Lawson Katie Lemeshewsky Becca Winegar Jenna Marshall

Emily Drost Leia Bruxvoort Kathy Landgrave Misty Durante

Sarah Burgoyne

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. President’s Report- Sarah Burgoyne
   1. Open board positions for 2022-2023 school year
      1. Secretary
      2. Treasurer
   2. We need Wish Week coin counters for Wednesday and Thursday at 10:00am
      1. Suggestion to have PTO reach out to Sue Eley who has volunteered in the past. Lauren F. also offered to help.
   3. Family Events
      1. Muffins with Mom’s tentative date May 10th
      2. Donuts with Dad’s tentative date May 11th
3. Treasurer’s Report- Katie Lemeshewsky
   1. Budget Update
      1. Mother/Son event was fun we had a great turn out. This was not a fundraising event. This is a community building event
      2. Signups for the Daddy Daughter event is looking good
      3. PTO purchased a SCE backdrop with frame to use at all school events. Due to COVID the Masquerade Ball could not happen in the fall (2021), funds budgeted for that event was used to purchase the backdrop.
   2. January Papa John’s Restaurant night- $309.00
4. Principal’s Report- Katie Lawson
   1. Staff and school excited to celebrate 2-22-22 Day with dressing up and getting the kids excited about a once in a lifetime day.
   2. Staff is working on a school wide incentive for PBIS rewards
      1. Administration is working parents view of the PBIS program and how they can access it online
      2. Also parents have requested what the prizes are that their student(s) might be working towards.
      3. PTO will send out an email to the staff when PBIS rewards are put into teacher’s mailboxes (ex. Panda Express card)
   3. Becca and Emily came to the staff meeting and showed a few ideas for the beautification project for the school
      1. Teachers would like clarification on what/where the $30,00 came from
      2. The $30,000 came from a special appeal at a school fundraiser raiser a few year prior. The school was looking to remodel the front office area for security reasons. PTO was going to help pay for the remodel and the district would pay the rest. The bids came back way to high and the district pulled out of helping fund the project and COVID hit.
5. Eagle Grant Proposals- Sarah Burgoyne
   1. Tina Hogarth (5th grade)- requested 2 stand up desk, Katie informed us that they had purchases a few extra desks with a grant the school received in the fall. Tina’s request was no longer needed
   2. Kathy Landgrave (3rd grade)- requested eggs to hatch chicks
      1. Someone from CSU come to the classroom and teaches the 3rd graders about life cycles for their science program
      2. The whole school can come and view the progress of the chick hatching (usually takes about 21days)
      3. A suggestion was made to maybe Live Stream the chicks so parents could be a part of this experience too.
   3. Jenna Marshall (ESL)- requested Project Read Report Form
      1. It is a reading intervention program for grades 3-6
      2. Mrs. Di Capo has been using the program and Jenna has been trying to share it with her, but it has become difficult for both to use at the same time.
      3. This is pair with the Wonder’s program that will be new next school year.
      4. Wonder’s does have an intervention tier, but it is very minimal, and the students are need more.
   4. Mollie Willie (Kindergarten)- requested dramatic play dress-up storage unit
      1. This will help with the Teaching Strategies Gold to assess the 32 checkpoints for kindergarteners
      2. Having playtime is an important to the social emotional health of kindergarten students
      3. It allows students to problem solve, interact with peers, and take care of own needs

\*\* 2nd request- cubby storage tower (24 slot tower with clear containers)

* + 1. This will help with the housing of activities for Morning Bins
       1. Literacy centers
       2. Math centers
       3. General purpose for classroom resources
    2. It will allow students to access the material needs centers independently
    3. Help with students learning self-help tools and following directions

1. School Beautification Presentation- Becca Winegar
   1. Front of School Beautification- (main entrance of the school)
      * 1. With parents inside the school less, we want to make the exterior look more appealing and inviting.
        2. The area is in front of the school, by the main entrance.
        3. Idea is to rip out the bushes and put a pergola and have some outdoor seating for students and staff to sit and enjoy.
   2. LED signage
      * 1. Looking into putting an electronic sign to simplify and streamline school updates and announcements. This will eliminate weekly/monthly manual updates on the current sign. The new sign would let updates be modified at school or from home.
   3. School Spirit (putting new signage outside of building)
      * 1. We are looking to add more appeal to the outside of school and show our awesome school spirit.
        2. Idea #1 is putting the Eagle logo and Sand Creek Elementary above the main entrance to the school
        3. Idea #2 is putting the Eagle logo and Sand Creek Elementary above the windows on the brick by the main entrance of the school
        4. Idea #3 putting the school moto SOAR on banners to place on the bring retaining wall adjacent to the drop off lane ramp
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   5. Breakdown for this Beautification Project
      * 1. Landscaping $40-$50K + depending on design & elements
        2. Electronic Sign $20K
        3. Banners/Signage $5k (estimate) waiting for quote to come back
        4. Existing Funs (earmarked funds) $30k
        5. FUNDING GAP to do ALL the projects above $35k-$45k
   6. How do we bridge the gap
      * 1. Selling bricks at our Spring Fling in April. Families can buy a brick and have their names engraved on it.
2. Vote to reallocate earmarked fund to school beautification
   1. This was voted on by the PTO Board and PASSED 8-0
3. Teacher’s Report- Misty Durante, Kathy Landgrave, Preschool
4. Committee Reports
   1. Father/Daughter- February 28th 5:00-9:00pm at Main Event
      1. 3 volunteer opportunities need to be filled
   2. Restaurant Night
      1. February 16th- Dos Amigas (online only)
      2. March 1st – Crumbl Cookie
      3. March 21st – Cold Stone Teacher Scoop Night
   3. Teacher Appreciation- Susan Lyson
      1. Volunteers needed to decorate lounge for Valentine’s Day
      2. Breakfast burritos- March 2nd for teachers/staff
      3. Teacher Appreciation Week May 2-6
   4. Spring Fling- Becca Winegar
      1. April 23, 2022 date
   5. Plant Sale- Emily Drost
      1. Looking to host a plant sale before Mother’s Day
5. Questions/Comments from the Community
6. Upcoming Events
   1. Daddy/Daughter February 28th at Main Event from 5:00-9:00pm
   2. Crumbl Cookie- March 1st from 4:00-7:00
   3. Spring conferences March 8th & 10th
   4. Cold Stone Teacher Scoop Night- March 21st
7. Announcements
   1. Next meeting: Tuesday, April 12th at 4:15 pm in the Sand Creek library
8. Adjournment 5:30

Respectfully submitted by,

Leia Bruxvoort PTO secretary