Sand Creek Elementary PTO

Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: May 10, 2022 at 4:15 pm

Meeting Location: Sand Creek Library

Nicole Mann Susan Lyons Lauren Feigenblatt Katie Lawson

Katie Lemeshewsky Becca Winegar Leia Bruxvoort Kathy Landgrave

Misty Durante Sarah Burgoyne Emily Drost Sophie Betser

1. Welcome and introductions

1. President’s Report- Sarah Burgoyne
   1. Open board positions for 2022-2023 school year
      1. Secretary
         1. Nicole Mann- currently has a 1st grader and will have an incoming kindergartener this fall. She is looking forward to getting involved with the school.
         2. Others
      2. Treasurer
         1. Becca Winegar- has a current 1st grader and 4th grader, she is willing to take on this hard job to help support the PTO.
         2. Sophie Betser- has a back groung in accounting
2. Principal’s Report- Katie Lawson
   1. Both events (Muffin’s with Mom & Donuts with Dad) where a huge success
      1. Notes for next year:
         1. kids are not allowed to go to class until 8:55am, some students went to class early and teachers use that time to prep/plan for the day.
         2. Maybe have a few more volunteers to make sure students stay outside or in cafeteria until 8:55am
   2. The entire school is working hard to reach their PBIS point goals. The reward is “camping” in the library. They are so close and hope to reach the goal by the end of the week.
   3. New Hires
      * 1. All open positions have been filled Kristen Amos- current EA at another elementary school.  Took a break as a full time teacher
3. Treasurer’s Report- Katie Lemeshewsky
   1. Biggest money maker for the month was Spring Fling
   2. Mici restaurant night- $197.85
4. Teacher’s Report- Misty Durante, Kathy Landgrave, Kendra Delaney
   1. Nothing to share.
5. Spring Fling Report- Becca Winegar
   1. We made $20,583 for our Spring Fling event
      1. Made a little over $13,000 on the auction items
      2. Made $2,300 on the Game of Skill (guessing how much change was in the glass boot)
      3. Park Meadows donation of the fountain money was over $1,000
      4. The Special Appeals brought in $4,600
   2. Merchandise pre-order was not a big hit
      1. We still have some Yeti items we can sell at school supply drop off night
   3. Band was hired from PTO had a great following, but their followers did not engage much in our online auction.
      1. Max Taps did not charge us to host the event
      2. If we had better weather, we could have setup outside
   4. Ideas for next Spring Fling:
      1. Suggestion is adult only event
      2. Continue Game of Skill
6. School Beautification Update- Becca Winegar
   1. Currently we do not have enough funds to complete all the school beautification projects. We do have enough funds to move forward with the LED Signage.
   2. LED Signage
      1. We received approval from the district to move forward with a new sign.
      2. PTO will work to get sign in over the summer
      3. PTO looking into a fundraising idea of being able to “buy” Happy Birthday announcement for the electronic signage.
   3. Front of school beautification
      1. Right before the PTO meeting the district approved the front of school beautification.
      2. Since we do not have enough funding to complete this project in 2022. PTO’s goal is raise enough for this project to start summer 2023. This will all depend on the PTO budget and fundraising.
         1. Fundraising idea is to sell pavers that would be placed in the front of the school with the possibility of having them engraved.
   4. School Spirit
      1. Putting the Sand Creek eagle along with Sand Creek Elementary above the main entrance to the school
      2. This has not been submitted to the district for approval yet. The estimated cost is $10,000-$15,000.
7. Committee Chairs Needed
   1. Fun Run 2022
      1. This is 1 of the biggest fundraisers of the year for Sand Creek
      2. It takes a lot of volunteers to make this fundraiser a success. Grab a few friends and come help us.
      3. We start planning for this in June
   2. Community Events
      1. PTO will create a Signup Genuis with volunteer opportunities throughout the year.
      2. We are looking for volunteers to help us with community events
         1. Masquerade Ball
         2. Mother/Son
         3. Daddy/Daughter
         4. Muffins with Mom or (Very Important Grownup)
         5. Donuts with Dad or (Very Important Grownup)
      3. New Community event suggestions
         1. Parents Night Out
         2. Easter Egg Hunt
         3. Childcare while parents go Christmas Shopping
8. School Supply Dropoff/ Meet Your Teacher 2022- Emily Drost
   1. Planning to have a scavenger for students to be able to introduce parents to the school and teachers. Plus, students may have the opportunity to earn PBIS points. Date TBD.
   2. Looking for volunteers to help with this
   3. Suggestion is maybe at Back To School Night, encouraging/challenging families to donate 5 hours of their time per school year.
   4. Working on making a Safety 1st video for drop off/pick up of students
9. Community Reports
   1. Watch Dogs
      1. Looking at bringing this program back to Sand Creek. Dad’s come and play with kids during lunch recess. Usually from 11:00-1:00. Dad’s can come for an hour and enjoy unstructured play time with kids.
      2. Other DougCo schools have this program, and they are seeing great improvements of some behavioral issues.
      3. PTO will have a table setup for Donuts with Dad’s to gather email address and see what the level of interest is.
   2. Restaurant Night
      1. Ashley Scott- Trainer will be the committee chair for Restaurant Nights for the 2022-2023 school year. Thank you for all of your help.
      2. May 17th Papa John’s
   3. Teacher Appreciation
      1. Susan Lyons will be the committee chair for Restaurant Nights for the 2022-2023 school year. Thank you for all of your help.
      2. Planning on providing lunch for stall on May 26th.
   4. School Spirit Week May 9th-13th
      1. May 10th Muffins with Mom
         1. Huge success a lot of parents & students
         2. Suggestion for next year is hosting this and Donuts with Dad the same week as Spring Fling. This was done in the past and helps promote the Spring Fling.
      2. May 11th Donuts with Dad
      3. School spirit days culminating in the talent show
      4. Thank you, Amanda Schoep, for helping with these events
10. Questions/Comments from the Community
11. Announcements
    1. First PTO meeting for the 2022-2023 school year will be Tuesday, August 17th, 2022 at 4:15pm in the school library.
12. Adjournment 5:16pm

Respectfully submitted by,

Leia Bruxvoort PTO secretary