

Sandburg PTA Meeting Minutes 1/21/2020

In attendance:

Lara Stavridis, Alison Dondlinger, Liza Passarelli, Evelyn Toreja Boutin, Suzanne Wilcox, Angela Bagdasarian, Linda Fehrenbacher

Meeting called to order by President Angela Bagdasarian. Pledge of Allegiance.

November Minutes. Motion made by Liza Passarelli to approve the November minutes. Second by Evelyn Boutin. Motion passed.

Principal Report – Linda Fehrenbacher

- 1) Month of Sandburg: During the four weeks the school had guest speakers including a former Sandburg student and display cabinet filled with Sandburg memorabilia. Elmhurst Historical Museum presented a program as well. Students are making Sandburg items for their lockers for a gallery walk through the halls for the final week.
- 2) Promotion Day: 8th Grade promotion day will be 5/21/20. The boat trip for 8th graders will be 5/20/20.
- 3) Best Buddies: Sandburg's program has been recognized as the "Chapter of the Month" for middle schools by state of Illinois.
- 4) 5 Essentials Survey: Linda requested we continue to promote the 5 Essentials Survey because she has only received 11% back and survey requires 20% participation. Survey closes 2/14/2020.
- 5) Power School: Grades posted on Power School. Some parents expressed frustration over the app because one can not access grades or class schedules on the app. In addition, parents have questions over the Standards-Based Grades for sixth grade. Linda will have a conversation with the teachers so that parents are more aware of the expectations for the grade / class, as this relates to the grading system.
- 6) School Improvement Plan: Linda shared information from 2019-2020 plan.

Treasurer Report – Evelyn Toreja Boutin

- PTA took in \$600 from the Elmhurst Brewing Company fundraiser.
- Sixth grade fall social over budget by \$9.
- Evelyn indicated that for reimbursement it is required to submit an original hard copy, as well as a completed reimbursement form. Photos and/or electronic submissions can not be submitted for reimbursement.

Membership Report

- Angela Bagdasarian stated that there were no updates on behalf of Wendee Reedy and Kristna Nunemaker,

President Elect Report – Alison Donlinger

- No updates

President Report – Angela Bagdasarian

- Fresh Start Breakfast: We will not be holding one this year.
- Dance Lessons: We will set up RevTrak this week. Agreed to charge \$71 per student to cover the cost of instructor and processing fee and any left over money will cover costs of cups. Dance lessons will run from 3/6/2020 through 5/1/2020.
- Trivia Night: We have 18 tables and room for a few additional people. Trivia night is Feb 1.

Committee Reports

- Lara Stavidis proposed we vote to have our bylaws changed due to our current board having two co-membership chairs. Current bylaws only address one membership chair. Alison Dondlinger made a motion and Evelyn Boutin second. Motion passed.

Meeting Adjourned 10 am. Next meeting is 2/18/2020 at 6 pm in Sandburg Library.

Minutes compiled by Liza Passarelli, Co-Secretary