

Lincoln School PTA Meeting Minutes, October 20, 2020

Meeting Called to Order: 7:00 PM

Meeting Attendees: 15

Opening Ceremony

- Pledge of Allegiance.
- Welcome and introductions

➤ **A motion was made by Kristi Maiers to approve the September 29, 2020 minutes. Kristi Phipps seconded the motion. The September 29, 2020 minutes were approved.**

Presentation by LRC Director Emily Walton: Please refer LRC site on Lincoln's website for details

- Destiny Discover. This application has Lincoln's ebook library. Kids 2-5th can log into destiny discover via their google logins. K and 1st grade will need to use their emails which are ID#@elmhurst205.org. K-1st grade parents can email Mrs. Walton to get their passwords. They will then need to change their passwords so parents will need to remember these new passwords.
 - If kids book an ebook on hold they should check once a week to see if their book is available. Mrs. Walton is not able to alert students when books are ready.
 - books with blue infinity symbol have unlimited copies to checkout
 - Some books will have an audio book option. All have the option to change the font size
 - Collections is found under the ebooks. This option breaks down books into smaller categories. Easier for kids to browse

- Kids have the option to favor the book by clicking on the cover. Mrs. Walton suggests the kids do this to make a list of books they would like to read. They can make any book a favorite including books that are not available.

- SORA is an ebook app. The Elmhurst Public Library ebook collection is available on this app. To access the Elmhurst public library go to the menu on the right and choose the Elmhurst library. Students can use the search option. The kids can place a hold, try a sample of a book or create a list to remember books they would like to read. Can also refine search by selecting available menu. At checkout select Elmhurst District 205 as “your library”, then sign in, then click borrow.

Report of the Executive Board

Recording Secretary – Molly Wangler

- Nothing to report.

Corresponding Secretary – Tanya Chwojko

- Nothing to report

VP Ways and Means – Megan Melson

- Charleston Wrap sale is going well. Have raised \$2800 so far with three days left to go (estimated income was \$2500). Sale can be extended - TBD. Megan to post on all the social pages on Facebook. Plan to send a blast and Mrs. Barnabee to include in her principal blast this week as well.
- Dianne Schenkenberg reported on Directory Spot. Dianne is continuing to add members as the join to Directory spot. Tanya will need these lists as well so that families that join are able to get the PTA blasts.
- Michelle Huber reported on membership. 238+ families have joined as well as 26 teachers. (~75% of families).
- Megan reported that Amy Sutton is looking for virtual trivia host to run an adult trivia night. Tentative Date is January 30th will confirm as details come in.

VP Programs – Kristy Maiers & Patti Giobbi

- Reflections due 11/13 to Sandy Denninger. Drop submissions to her home.
- One Lincoln One Book committee is trying to get started for the winter. Hoping to send information to families in November. This will be a virtual program and optional for families this year.

Treasurer's Report – Kristi Phipps

- Financial Report was provided. **See Financial report for specific details.**
 - To Date Expenses: Monthly revenues are expected from membership dues along with spirit wear. Year to date income total is \$5,830
 - To Date Revenue: \$4,350.
 - Cash Carry Forward Balance – Currently reporting a cash carry forward balance of \$35,289 -

President-Elect –N/A

President – Jen Kramer

- York Key Club being used for trash pickup around the Lincoln building. This will continue for the time being.
- Brainstorming ideas for playground painting to give kids options to play in a socially distanced manner when we return to school. Mrs. Barnabee shared that Ms. Childry and Mrs. Cohen may be able to coordinate this with the student council. Parent volunteers may be needed. Other ideas included using art clubs from middle and high school to execute plans. Friday is the deadline to get images to Mrs. Barnabee and Ms. Childry. Kids can vote on designs as they wait for their art zoom class. Michelle Huber also suggested a possible collaboration with Thrive 205 for this project.
- Next week some members of the Lincoln PTA board and the Edison PTA board will meet to discuss blending the two schools next year.
- Spirit wear to be delivered to families homes in the next week.

Principal – Jennifer Barnabee

- Mrs. Barnabee has invited several administrators from Edison, Hawthorne and Sandburg to our next meeting. We will plan to have a short Q&A with questions sent to Lincoln parents ahead of time that can be answered during the virtual meeting.
- Communication to come about parent-teacher conferences. Will be virtual but will be scheduled through Power school. Instructions for sign up will come out the first week of November.
- Mrs. Barnabee and teachers express disappointment about schools returning to remote learning.
- Bridget McDonald, Special Education Instructional Coach to present at the next PTA meeting. November 17th from 2-3pm.

Meeting Adjournment: 8:02 PM

**> A motion was made by Molly Wangler to adjourn the meeting.
Kristy Maiers seconded the motion. Meeting was adjourned.**

Upcoming Dates:

10/23: Charleston Wrap Fundraiser Ends.

10/23-11/6: Kindergarten Registration

11/3: No School, Election Day

11/17: Next PTA meeting (time TBD)