

Sandburg PTA Meeting Minutes
11/17/2020

In attendance on Zoom:

Alison Dondlinger, Patti Berner, Krista Nunemaker, Kelly McDermott, Lara Stavridis, Susan Larrick, Linda Fehrenbacher, Jeff Gail, Kim Lambert-Haak, Christy Gumbach, Lisa Kerins, Beth Forstneger, Jacky Oviedo, Kathleen Meade, Kristina Aquino, Rachel Olson, Christine Simonis, Lesley Gunderson, Chona Dominguez, Annabel and Dave Poquette, Jeanie Smith, Carla Carry, Mary Beth Kush, Chetna Gupta.

Meeting called to order by President Alison Dondlinger. Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes: The minutes of 10/20/2020 were approved. Motion by Patti Berner. Second by Kelly McDermott.

Principal Report: Linda Fehrenbacher/Jeff Gail

- Thank you to Student Council and staff who put together a very well done and moving video for Veteran's Day.
- Sandburg play will be virtual.

Guest Speakers: Sandburg Counselors Christy Gumbach, Kim Lambert-Haak, and Lisa Kerins present an update on Social-Emotional Learning and answer parent questions.

- Click [here](#) to access the presentation.
- Overall, tests and quiz scores have not gone down.
- Motivation has gone down for students to get work done.
- Re-teaching is offered on Wednesdays, as well as interventions to connect/reach out with teachers and counselors.

Officer Reports

Treasurer - Krista Nunemaker

- A few more memberships came in and some dues have been paid.
- Request to amend budget to put back \$200 for REACH and \$45 for SERG contributions (previously had been removed when we did not have enough money in budget). Motion by Jacky Oviedo. Second by Lara Stavridis. Motion passed.

Membership – Kelly McDermott

- We had a slight increase in memberships so now 47% of families have joined.

Secretary – Susan Larrick and Lara Stavridis

- Nothing to report.

President Elect – Patti Berner

- Open committee chair positions are for School Beautification and 6th Grade Spring Social.

President – Alison Dondlinger

- Foundation 205 is partnering with PTA Council to support scholarship funds for York seniors. Cookie dough sales are going on now, which could be given as a gift or for self. Also supporting Thrive 205 initiative for social-emotional well-being of students, and for diversity/inclusion resources to our reading libraries.
- Foundation 205 partnered with local retailers Kie & Kate and Maxine for a shopping event with 15% of sales going back to the Foundation.
- UCCA Holiday Food Drive is virtual this year and going on until December 1.
- Foundation 205 is not having annual gala this year, but instead will host a free virtual student showcase that will include Mr. Cotton and the Sandburg Symphony and special guest comedian Pat McGann. Local restaurants Victory, Livia, and Tannins will offer “showcase dinners” that you can order to go along with watching the event, sponsorships will be available and donors can receive dessert/wine/etc. for that evening, auction items will also be available.

Committee Reports

Reflections

- Entries are due November 24. Creative parents are needed to help with judging entries and to work on acknowledgement of students participating (let Patti Berner know if willing to volunteer).

Trivia Night

- Co-chairs are Jacky Oviedo and Julie Vacko. They will be meeting with chairs from Churchville and Bryan MS to collaborate ideas. Event will likely be held end of February.

REACH

- Next monthly meeting is on December 11.
- York National Honor Society has 50 students who want to be tutors for Middle School students; details still being worked on. Possible idea of Middle School REACH students offering tutoring assistance to 4th and 5th graders.

Upcoming Events

- 10/26 - 12/1 UCCA Virtual Holiday Food Drive donate online at www.ucca-elmhurst.org
- 11/24 Reflections entries due
- 12/15 at 9am PTA meeting via Zoom
- Trivia Night – end of February is anticipated

Motion to adjourn meeting made by Krista Nunemaker. Second by Kelly McDermott.
Meeting adjourned at 7:59pm.