



Minutes 03/08/2021 Jewel PTO meeting

- 1) Call to Order, at 6:31 pm by Kathy
- 2) Approval of December 2020 minutes. Motion by J. Owens, Seconded by Mike Trotter, motion carries.
- 3) President's Report – Kathy Evans
  - a) Nothing to report
- 4) Vice-President's Report – Jennifer Dosch
  - a) Nothing to report
- 5) Treasurer's Report – Laura Wand
  - a) Balance of \$14,460 – Paid for West High PTSO Scholarship Sponsorship and McAllister's and drinks for the teachers for P-T Conference night.
- 6) Secretary's Report – Brian LoCicero
  - a) Bylaws changes need to be approved tonight
- 7) Committee Updates
  - a) Nominating Committee Head – no treasurer or secretary nominations but we have Laura Wand for President and Brian LoCicero for Vice-President. We will extend deadline and ask around to see what other interest this is. As we have candidates for two positions who submitted on time, we are going to close additional nominations for President and Vice-President and only accept nominations for Treasurer and Secretary. We publicize for nominations for the two open places until April 12<sup>th</sup>. Then possibly elect on May 10<sup>th</sup>. If we do not get nominations for those positions, Exec Board may appoint when candidates become available, however, they can also cover the open positions (since both are doing them now) until we get individuals.
  - b) Spiritwear Committee Head – I've connected with the Logo Factory in Yorkville to set up our Spiritwear Shop for this year and the future. All ordering is done online, and we can choose whether or not we want to make money on this or just offer everything at cost. Fearn moved over there awhile ago, Goodwin just moved there this year. Both report no issues, high quality and excellent service/options. The beauty of this is we can keep the site up all year and then do seasonal pushes with specialty type clothes/accessories and/or release new images or graphics. They deliver all the orders to school for free OR parents can have it delivered home for a fee. There are also no set-up fees for artwork unless we want them to create something for us. Dennis said that once we get him some artwork he can set up the store within a week or two so I'm looking to launch this right after Spring Break.  
<http://goodwineagles.logofactoryusa.com> and <http://fearnspiritgear.logofactoryusa.com> if you want to have a look. Turnaround time is 2-3 weeks!! He suggests that although you keep the store site open all year, you do 2 or 3 big pushes a year. Spring (pre-grad, incoming students), Fall (pre-xmas/holiday and for seasonal items like knit hats, etc.)
    - i. Tee-shirts - \$13 (were \$17 on old group)
    - ii. Long-sleeves - \$16
    - iii. Hoodies - \$29 (was \$28 on old group)
    - iv. Polos - \$24
    - v. Wind-breakers - \$39
    - vi. Baseball hats - \$24 (was \$20 but this one is embroidered)
    - vii. Sweatpants - \$28
  - c) Hospitality Committee Head – Teacher appreciation week is coming up. Need to come up with ideas, have done gift cards in the past. Week is May 3-7<sup>th</sup> and students are off on the 7<sup>th</sup> due to in-service day.
- 8) Principal's Report – Mr. Smith



### **SPORTS & ACTIVITIES:**

- Football (March 1-25)
- Various Virtual Activities

### **UPDATES:**

February P/T Conferences- Thank you again for dinner! 😊

2<sup>nd</sup> Round of Vaccinations- (3/9-3/15)

ACCESS Testing- Starts on 3/15

AFJROTC meetings, visits and applications due March 31

Self-Contained SPED students- 5 days/week starting on March 22 (Beginning Q4)

### **Picture Day Make-up dates:**

- March 22 and March 25
- Follow same process

Exploring options: good chance of these happening, everyone working to look for ways to make it possible. Catch for this is that all 4 MS have to do it, or no one can do it.

- In-person Choir and Drama
- In-person Outdoor Band Concerts

Discussing EOY events and celebrations: will depend on what the high school does first, they lead then it moves down so that everything is appropriate. This is more school specific, not linked to other MS buildings.

- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Awards/Dance/ Parade/Promotion
- Field Day, Carnival, etc.

Planning for SY 21-22 Might have 5<sup>th</sup> grade visits!!! But having to work around standardized testing. Also what model are we back to?? This is initial conversation stages. Lots of talk though.

Registration for 2021-2022 school year (Only 245) need this number get a lot higher by spring break. We can amplify on FB page for PTO.

Spring Break- March 29-April 2 (School resumes on Monday, April 5) only 40 days left after this 20/20.

Questions??

#### 9) SCAC Report – Jason Owens

- a) Two meetings since our last meeting.
- b) January – talked about things that the pandemic has taught the district positively. From the school district level, some of their communication could have been more transparent on how they were making decisions. Alchemy, based on 'feeling' and not metrics. How chrome books have improved the ability of some student and have opened up the possibility for online learning for snow days, etc.
- c) February – transition from PSAT to SAT testing and that funding is now tied to participation at 95% level. For all state standards. SATs, every student has to take it now, not just college bound. No waivers anymore.
- d) Mr. Smith mentioned 1300 staff vaccinated as of March 22<sup>nd</sup>.

#### 10) Old Business - None



11) New Business

- a) Approval of 2020-21 Changes to bylaws, Motion passed.
- b) Board Member Comments
- c) Public Comments

12) Adjourn Meeting. 7:45 pm motion by J. Owens, 2<sup>nd</sup> by G. Trainor, motion Carries.