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Longfellow PTA Agenda

2022-23 Executive Board:

Principal - Kelli Webb

Treasurer: Becca Tritten

Past President: Sam Turnbull

Secretary: Willow Fuchs

Past President: Tara Shochet

DPO Rep: Willow Fuchs

President Elect: Allison and Thomas Nixon

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Tuesday, January 9 2024 @ 6:30pm

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81537703209?pwd=emJlOQmxzRitORVAzWm5TU1dyK0xvZz09>

1. Welcome & Introductions - Tara Shochet, Willow Fuchs, Sam Turnbull, Lydia Crowe, Rebecca Tritten, Nicole Ramsey, Megan Burns, Laura Walthart, Meliisa Glanz, Minkyong, Lauren Grell, Ali & Tom Nixon, Kelly Lucas, Kelli Webb, Gosia Clore, Anna Blythe,
2. Principal Report
 - a. Highlights
 - i. Winter break PBIS assembly with a small sing a long
 - ii. Band concert
 - iii. Leagues with a movie
 - iv. Monthly Big Yellow Ticket Winners
 - b. Future Longhorn events/learning
 - i. Reading and Math state benchmarking testing K-6
 - ii. I-Smile sealants will be starting in January/February
 - iii. 4th grade animation lessons in January
 - iv. MLK
 - v. Youth Straw Poll
 - vi. Multicultural Night on Jan. 25th
 - vii. Community Dance Night on Feb. 1st
 - viii. Parent Teacher Conferences and Report Cards end of Feb.
 - ix. Planning for our One School One Book Event in March
 - c. Other topics
 - i. 6th grade plan for Junior High
3. President Report
 - a. Elections - slate - vote passed
 - i. President Elect: Ali and Thomas Nixon
 - ii. Treasurer: Megan Burns
 - iii. Secretary: Willow Fuchs
 - iv. DPO Rep: Willow Fuchs
 - v. Past President: Sam Turnbull and Tara Shochet

b. 2023-2024 Events list and chairs

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1WI78nodDePYhifgGkTEzFJYVzprBbPF/edit?usp=sharing&ouid=100600723706391770445&rtpof=true&sd=true>

4. Treasurer Report

- a. Teacher reimbursements done - a little lower than last year
- b. Original works in-progress (should be in by later in January)
- c. Foreign language program went well - will do again in Spring
 - i. seeking French instructor
 - ii. PTA will keep supporting
- d. Budget Update
 - i. Savings - \$7000+ / Checking - \$10,000+
 - ii. Non fundraiser - \$1590
- e. Changed access on the accounts
- f. Yearbook will run through PTA again

5. DPO Update

- a. Last Meeting - Legislative update - Dec. 13th
 - i. Voucher program
 - ii. Funding
 - iii. Budget cuts
 - iv. Middle school transition
 - v. 2030 plan
- b. Upcoming Meetings
 - i. Jan. 10th - Repository of best practices for PTOs - in-person - Alexander (rescheduled because Snow Day)
 - ii. Feb 14th - Post graduation prep at ICCSD - Zoom
 - iii. Mar 13th - Prep for 24-25 topics, board recruitment - in-person - TBA
 - iv. Apr 10th - Scholarship reception - in-person
 - v. May 8th - ICCSD 1, 3, 5, year plan - Zoom

6. Old Business

- a. Original works

7. New Business

- a. K-2 PJ Party (2/16)
 - i. Crafts and some of the same ideas as done in previous years
 - ii. Sign-up to volunteer!
 - iii. Info to communicate - send to Kelli
- b. Art show
 - i. Sam will meet with Art teacher
 - ii. Need new chair to help
 - iii. Usually around Spring conference

- c. Carnival auction
 - i. Ashley and Tara meeting - will get letters out
 - ii. Need date for Carnival - May?
- d. Zoom account - Willow will check with DPO
- e. Spring teacher appreciation - end of Feb / early March
- f. Penny drive? Spring March 27 - April 5th last year

8. Teacher Input

- a. ELL - going well
- b. Benchmarking - fluency buddies
- c. Professional development - "Writing Revolution" book
- d. Co-teaching - new Math curriculum in-practice

9. Family Input

- a. 5 / 6 Graduation - Celebration - Kelli will find out more
 - i. feedback - parents mentioned possibly separate events preferred
- b. Year books
 - i. Discussion about getting yearbooks to all families, or at least graduating students
 - ii. Yearbooks added to the Library?

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