# Tuesday, January 12, 2021 at 6:30 PM Zoom Hudson PTO Minutes: General Meeting



# 1. Call to order 6:32 pm

- a. Introductions
- **b.** Attendance Erin Rathjen-Decker, Kay Horner, Lisa Hilpert, EJ Brace, Allison Aardsma, Rebecca Dohrman, Julie Tubbs, , Niki Winchester, Indra Russell, Becky Yust, Sherita Ming, Crystal Crosby, Angela Haas

# 2. Minutes:

- a. Reviewed Minutes from November
- **b.** Motion to approve: 1<sup>st</sup> Rebecca Dohrman, 2<sup>nd</sup> Julie Tubbs, approved with no abstentions

### 3. Financial Report

- a. Reviewed Budget
  - i. Refund from St. Elizabeth's for canceled trivia night was \$300. Originally refunded \$500 incorrectly (so subtracted \$200)
- **b.** Donations- Multiple donations were received.
- c. Fundraising-TJ's Pizza fundraiser raised \$1109.20.

### 4. Approval of Bills

**a.** Motion to approve \$881 in bills: 1<sup>st</sup> Kay Horner, 2<sup>nd</sup> EJ Brace, approved with no abstentions

# 5. Principal's Report, Lisa Hilpert

- **a.** Things continue to go well at school. There have been no new class quarantines as of 1/12/21 since return to school after winter break.
- **b.** After 1<sup>st</sup> semester, the school is in good shape with regards to technology with return of Chromebooks. There are still some devices checked out to students in the virtual program. This summer, construction for the school office will be performed so the school may request money for other changes associated with the new office.

### 6. Committee Reports

### a. Standing Committees

- i. Welcome Committee/Hudson Cares, Niki Winchester
  - Orange folders for incoming families will be made to leave in a bin outside school. Kyla is making copies. Volunteer help appreciated for making sure information is up to date. Niki will email Kyla to obtain the names of new 2<sup>nd</sup> semester families.
  - 2. Welcome events TBD pending COVID precaution information
- ii. Box Tops Committee, Meagan Wade
  - 1. \$36 received went into the activity fund. Remember to download the Box Tops app!
- iii. Equity Committee, EJ Brace
  - 1. The new diversity and inclusion director, Dr. Williamson, accepted an invitation to the 2/9 PTO meeting.
- iv. Beautification Committee, Leah Rush- no report

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- v. Staff Appreciation Committee, Ashley Roedemeier
  - 1. We will be restocking snacks for the teachers and staff. Look for an email with details about donations. Valentine notes for teachers and staff will also be accepted.

#### **b.** Event Committees

- i. Dine Outs, Indra Russell, Carol Woodruff, Angela Haas
  - 1. Amighetti's net ~\$100
  - 2. Papa John's 1/13 and 1/14
  - 3. Suggestions for other restaurants: Niki suggested Hacienda.
- ii. Book Fair, Abby Schafers
  - 1. Usborne book fair complete and awaiting numbers
  - 2. Scholastic virtual book fair in spring on April 9
- iii. Fundraiser- Virtual ideas in lieu of Trivia Night
  - 1. Julie suggested a cash raffle with winners receiving a percentage of the sales as a possible idea. Consider asking for a bicycle donation to raffle.

# 7. New Business

- a. PTO executive board positions
  - i. Nominations in the spring- all welcome!
  - ii. Erin proposed that board positions should be expanded in number to 7 (2 treasurer positions and 2 VP1 positions). That proposal would require a change in the bylaws and an affirmative vote by 15 meeting attendees to pass.
- **b.** Picture day 1/20. 7:15-11:15 am drop off at the atrium door for virtual students. Responsive students during the school day. An online link to order will be provided.
- **c.** Teacher grants
  - i. Applications for spring grants due February 1.
  - ii. Motion to approve \$2000 in the budget for teacher grants: 1<sup>st</sup> Erin Rathjen-Decker, 2<sup>nd</sup> Rebecca Dohrman, approved with no abstentions

#### 8. Unfinished Business

- **a.** Fundraising
  - i. Pizza sales this spring: TJ's Pizza with targeted date the first or second weekend in April
  - ii. Flocking fundraiser: Becky shared a sample invitation and proposed \$20 price point. Becky reported no volunteers needed at this time but will revisit based on demand.
- 9. Public comments (General thoughts, questions, concerns)

Adjourn 7:29 pm

Next meeting: Tuesday 2/9, at 6:30 PM Zoom