

# PENDING APPROVAL

## CORL STREET ELEMENTARY PTO BOARD MEETING

**March 2, 2021**

In **Attendance: PTO Board Members:** Dr. Kelly Mark (Principal), Samantha Banning (Co-President), Mike Banning (Co-President), Emma Jane Rose (Treasurer), Peter Miraldi (Secretary) **Parents and Guests:** Jennifer Pencek, Sonya Miller, Camilla Thorsen, David Hutchinson (School Board Representative), Michelle Blair (School Counselor), Lee Anna Hooper (3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Teacher), Becky Mattson, Terrill Salter.

**Call to Order:** 7:15 PM

**I. Welcome/Introductions:** Dr. Mark welcomed everyone.

**II. Principal's Remarks:**

- A. Benchmarking reports were sent home (we do this three times a year to improve the validity of the data).
- B. Our picture retake day is Friday, if needed (Mrs. Campbell can answer any questions you may have).
- C. Our mini Spring Break is next week (no school on next Thursday and Friday).
- D. Our second marking period will come to a close this month (reports available March 26<sup>th</sup>).

**II. School Board Report:** David Hutchinson said:

- A. Governor Wolf held a press conference to announce a plan to reform charter schools.
- B. The state and federal government are re-examining standardized testing.
- C. Terril asked about our plans to return to the classroom.
  - a. David said that we are planning to be back in classrooms in the fall if all goes well.
  - b. Kelly said there will be plans to keep the virtual academy going.

**Minutes:** The February minutes were accepted by consensus.

**III. Treasurer's Report:** Emma reported:

- A. The PTO does not purchase items (snacks and juice boxes) for teachers but we will reimburse them for the purchase if items are approved.
- B. The yearbooks and diversity fundraiser were our largest expenditures.
- C. Unencumbered funds are what we used to match the diversity fundraiser (\$500).
- D. Also, we received a small amount of money from Amazon Smile.
- E. We had a lot of undesignated funds; let Emma know if they need to be allocated to other funds.

**MOTION:** Sonya Miller motioned to approve the treasurers report. Samantha Banning seconded. The Motion carries.

#### **IV. Committee Reports:**

- A. Becky Mattson said we received money for yearbooks for teachers and the library.
  - a. She asked how many we should order for the Sunshine Fund.
  - b. Emma said we paid for yearbooks for 5<sup>th</sup> graders last year.
  - c. Kelly said we have 35 5<sup>th</sup> graders (including virtual academy and remote).
  - d. Becky said she will find out how many 5<sup>th</sup> graders need yearbooks and let Emma know.
  - e. Becky noted that we have some pictures from the virtual cougar cat run but we do not have enough pictures to fill the yearbook pages so please send her any relevant pictures you have.
  - f. Becky asked if we could get pictures from the Expo but prefers to have pictures by the end of April at the latest.
  - g. Terrill said she could request pictures from the mural project.
- B. Terrill said the Ice Cream social for the 2021-2022 school year is tentatively scheduled for Thursday, August 19<sup>th</sup> at Corl Street Elementary school.
  - a. This year's ice cream social will be delivered on June 1<sup>st</sup> by Classic Cones at Corl Street Elementary School.

#### **V. Old Business: N/A**

#### **VI. New Business**

- A. Samantha noted that Lori Miraldi will serve as the Corl Street Elementary School representative for The Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Collaboration with Easterly Parkway Elementary.
- B. Lori said the diversity book fundraiser brought in \$2,050 to fund black and African-American identities and communities.
  - a. Kelly said the teachers are helping select titles and we may have the books in the library this year.
  - b. Emma asked if Paige will submit an invoice.
    - i. Lori said she will email Paige and copy Emma.
    - ii. Emma said that Lori can drop the checks off in her mailbox.
    - iii. Lori said she hopes to repeat the fundraiser in future years for additional communities.
- C. Emma asked if anyone is interested in replacing her as the Corl Street PTO Treasurer for the upcoming election at the end of this school year.
  - i. Kelly said she will ask in the Friday e-mail.
  - ii. Emma said she will help onboard next treasurer.
  - iii. Jen Pencek said that nominations are taken at the PTO meeting before the meeting when we vote.
- D. Kelly asked if there is a parent who is designated to oversee school supplies for next year.

- a. Samantha suggested that we e-mail parents to see if they would like to be involved.
  - b. Becky said that Anne, Veronica, and she helped this past year.
  - c. Kelly said she knows a teacher who would like to be involved and can meet before the end of April.
- E. Samantha asked Kelly about renting a tent for the warmer weather.
- a. Jen said Best Event would need a reservation soon.

**VII. Other Business: N/A**

**MOTION:** Emma motioned to adjourn. Jen Pencek seconded. The motion carries and the meeting adjourned at 7:59 PM.

**Next Meeting: Tuesday, April 6th, 2021; 7:00 PM via Zoom**

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