

AME PTO Meeting 9-2-20 Minutes

Present: Jamie Hinckle, Janae Rudacille, Lauren Wickersham, Alana Fleischer, Nicole Plummer, Kari Kennedy, Jackie Featherston

Called to Order: 4:00 pm via Zoom (virtual meeting)

Principal Update: The students are doing great with the changes this school year. Mrs. Featherston noted that our children are wearing their masks properly! No events can be scheduled do to Covid-19 restrictions, even off campus events. Look for updates every quarter. PTO can continue to communicate with students and parents using flyers sent home in backpacks. Mrs. Tabicman is working on a virtual Peace Day (video).

Treasurer Report: No financial report at this time. Recent payments for computer programs were made. Benches will be purchased using the operating account and proceeds from Dolphin Dash.

Upcoming Events: Peace Day: virtual this year (Monday, September 21, 2020 is the International Day of Peace). Nicole will contact Mrs. Tabicman on dates of this year's School Spirit Weeks. PTO is hoping to create unity and excitement for learning through fun themed days throughout the school year. For example: crazy sock day, favorite team shirts, silly hat day, etc. We can promote with flyers and Facebook posts.

Communications:

Website Update: Continue to send Alana images to post. Remember no student faces. Nicole is also able to access our website. Please let us know if you see any errors or updates to make.

Facebook Posts: Continue to send Nicole any information to share with our Parents and PTO members.

Flyers: A Welcome Flyer went home in backpacks the first day of school. Kari has created another PTO informational flyer to attract new membership, which will go home next week.

Old Business:

2019-2020 School Year Trolley Grant update from Jamie: the funds were never used due to the pandemic and school closure. These funds expire December 2020. Nicole Teich and Jamie received approval to use the funds on other STEM activities that can be completed before the expiration date. They will be working on getting these resources in the classrooms, most likely virtual programs.

New Business:

Board Elections: Janae and Kari are working with Election Buddy (an online resource) for the 2020-2021 school year PTO Board Elections. The Nominating Committee approved the following slate of officers:

President: Nicole Plummer

Vice President: Alana Fleischer

Treasurer: Lauren Wickersham (still open to the possibility of stepping down)

Secretary: Kari Kennedy

Members will also have the option for "Write-In"

Elections plan to go live in the next two weeks. Only members are able to vote. Our goal right now is to increase membership.

Fundraising: Please continue to brainstorm ideas for new fundraising opportunities to share with the board.

Meeting Adjourned: 4:45pm

Next Meeting: Email will be sent out to schedule a Zoom meeting after board elections.

PTO Board

President- Jamie Hinckle
Vice President- Janae Rudacille
Treasurer- Lauren Wickersham
Co-Secretary- Alana Fleischer
Co-Secretary- Nicole Plummer
PTO Teacher Liaison- Kari Kennedy
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