

**PTA Board Meeting**  
**3/4/2021**  
**6:30pm Google Meet**

**Attendees**

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| Jodi Johnson    | Michelle Thigpen | Greg Gokey   | Chris Sciandra |
| Rachana Prabhu  | Megan Bocci      | Carla Mateer | Alison Snyder  |
| Nicolle Bronaut |                  |              |                |

**Call to Order** : 6:30PM by Jodi Johnson.

**Executive Board Vacant Position Nomination**

- Nomination Committee : Jodi asked for recommendation and encouraged all to spread word about the vacant positions.

**Approval of Minutes from last meeting** : The February 2021 minutes were reviewed by attendees and approved unanimously.

**Treasurer's Report - Greg**

- \$40 spent on expenses
- \$311 raised in funds

**Principal's Report**

- Thanked PTA for the logs that were delivered to school for the outdoor classrooms.
- **Digital Yearbook**: Working with groups and starting by communicating with 5th grade parents asking for content, will be communicating to other parents soon. Carla Mateer will be looped in on the work this week.
- Grateful to local communities who offered free supplies for teachers and students.
- Promoting and celebrating Black History Month was a success.
- Morning news show is running smoothly and is updated on the YouTube channel. Please follow the school's YouTube page.

## **Upcoming Matters**

### **Media Centre - Jodi**

- Media teacher, Ms Hondos would like to improve the media centre to be more engaging and more functional for the kids.
- Improving the centre will be a project for this summer.
- There will be a brainstorming meeting on 3/4/2021, please feel free to attend with your ideas for improvements.
- Need volunteers in summer to help with this project.

### **Talent show - Jodi**

- It will be a virtual show which will be recorded and uploaded on the school's YouTube page.
- The digital platform of the show this year is advantageous to all those family and friends that live far away and can now watch their kids from their homes.
- Forms for the 3rd through 5th grades have been sent home. Mrs Thigpen will confirm if the remote students received theirs.
- Starting in April and will coincide with the Book Fair.

### **Yearbook - Carla**

- Carla asked Mrs Thigpen to send out an email communicating to the parents about using the digital platform this year for yearbook while asking them for content.
- Jodi asked the group if the PTA has to communicate and explain to parents about this year's non traditional approach to yearbook and why we are using a digital platform.
- Mrs Thigpen said she will include an explanation to the parents as to why this digital platform decision was made in the email while sending out other information about the yearbook. Expects a positive response as it will be available for free to download given this year's circumstances.

### **Grounds and Beautification - Jodi**

- Meeting to be held on 3/9/2021 to discuss the project in depth.
- 500lbs of tree transported to school.
- Need a chainsaw to cut them into stools for seating for the outdoor classrooms. Overhead shades were purchased from the Amazon wishlist. Have to purchase a picnic table to serve as desks for teachers.

### **Book Fair - Megan**

- Met with Scholastic to come up with an idea to be able to have a safe socially distanced in-person outdoor book fair.
- Sidewalk Sale with just the cases of books without any tables set up would be the best option to maximize our profits and rewards within our current circumstances.
- Waiting for approval on this plan.

**Art by Me Tiles - Jodi**

- Bethany is working with the art teacher, Ms Tran and is moving along smoothly.

**S.P.I.C.E Grant - Mrs Thigpen**

- Every 5 years the PTA is eligible for a S.P.I.C.E Grant which is funded by the Guilford County PTA. We are eligible again this year.
- The SEL, Leadership and Multicultural committee discussed and decided to reinforce and celebrate the school culture by reading one book school wide and sending the same book home for the families to read which would then explore other activities related to the book and build connections with the community. The Spice Grant would help with the funds for assisting in purchasing this book.
- Alison Snyder said the SEL Coach along with another school's principal created a booklist on SEL topics for each grade level. The committee has narrowed down the choices to 2 books "Front Desk" and "The New Kid" after reading. The final book will be decided in an upcoming meeting. There will be collaborative activities such as read aloud, talking points for families, etc around the book within the whole school. Ms Hondos has also been helping with book knowledge and activities.

**Jodi adjourned the virtual meeting at 7:00PM.**

**Presided over by:**

**Jodi Johnson, President**

**Rachana Prabhu, Secretary**

Approved on: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Rachana Prabhu \_\_\_\_\_