



General Meeting Minutes

Monday Feb. 8, 2021 6:30 pm Location: Zoom Conferencing

Meeting called to order: David Worford, 6:30 pm

In attendance: Kelli Wallace, Laura Sutton, April Price, Sarah Putman, Heidi Habbinga, Chelsea Hill, Nicole Booker, David Worford, Pam Rice, Andie Kirkwood, Cara Fleckenstein, Whitney DeMercurio

Welcome and introductions

Minutes—Minutes were presented, approved

Officers' Reports

President's Report—Kelli Wallace, David Worford

- PTO received lots of great thank you notes from 4th and 5th graders
 - Reminds us why we do what we do

Principal's Report—Laura Sutton

- Thank you notes from students are fantastic
- Air purifiers
 - Well received by staff and students
 - Staff with small spaces didn't think they would be receiving one, but they all did
- Volunteers being allowed again
 - Sign up Genius
 - Outdoor areas for now
 - Before/After school duty, lunch, etc
- Classes can start singing again
- Parent/Teacher Conferences
 - March 8, 9, 10
 - New sign up system
- Everyone is so glad to have the students back in the building

- The percentage of students in the “red” (struggling academically) has decreased significantly since the beginning of the year
 - Estimated 24% at beginning of the year down to 19% currently
 - Demonstrates a great partnership with parents

Treasurer’s Report—Sarah Putman

- Detailed report submitted
- Bought air purifiers
 - Approved up to \$5500
 - Able to purchase 27 for a total of \$4293, well under budget
- Received King Soopers and Family Night checks

Staff Report—Andie Kirkwood

- Thank you from staff for the air purifiers
 - Need to let parents know
 - Feel better about having their child in school
 - Know what the PTO does with the funds raised
- Thank you from the counselors for the purchased curriculum
- Parties
 - Room parents planning safe events, pitching in as much as possible
 - Asking students to bring valentines in on Thursday so they can “quarantine” for 24 hours before being distributed and taken home
- Joyful to have kids back in the building
 - Students are doing so well
 - Resilient and doing all that is asked of them

SAC Report—David Worford

- K-3 growth over the year
 - 1st grade reading is making up the gap
 - K fell to approximately 50% below average
 - Shepardson K is usually 70% at or above
- Data presented and reviewed (available from SAC meeting minutes)
- Kids are resilient
 - They don’t know anything else so they will rebound and be where they should be

Committee Reports

Trivia Night—Nicole Booker

- Having an auction in place of Trivia Night
 - Will be using 32Auction site
 - Looking for donors
 - Good, services to auction
 - Sponsorships for items like Kiwi Crate, etc
 - Need help from at least one person
 - Tentative dates March 2-8

Star Stampede—April Price

- Scheduled for April 12
 - Need back up date
- Didn't happen last year due to COVID
 - Was supposed to partner with Mary Jackson to learn, so winging it 😊
- Need to juggle numbers, classes, grades to have safe amounts of students participating at one time
- Need to meet with Wayne/Laura on what is/isn't allowed
- Expect envelopes to go out right after Spring Break

Family Nights—Kelli Wallace for John Wallace

- I have requested 3 more fundraisers using the GroupRaise platform.
- These events are pending, but once they get approved by the restaurant we can put out the promotions.
 - Wednesday February 24th - Smashburger (20%)
 - Wednesday March 24th - MOD Pizza (20%)
 - Wednesday April 21st - Modern Market Eatery (30%)

Date	Venue	Amount	Key
Nov 5th, 2020	Tokyo Joes	\$ 296.84	Not Received
Dec 3rd, 2020	Modern Market Eatery	287.03	Received
Feb 24th, 2021	Smashburger (Pending)		Deposited
March 24th, 2021	MOD Pizza (Pending)		
April 21st, 2021	Modern Market Eatery		
To Date		\$ 583.87	
Goal		\$ 2,000.00	
% Accomplished		29%	

Book Fair—Kelli Wallace

- Will be at the end of April
- It will look different, but it will happen

King Soopers Community Rewards Program--Cara Fleckenstein

- Received 4th Quarter check for \$1436
- 95 households participating
- A blurb in the weekly newsletter is helpful

School Supply Kits--Cara Fleckenstein

- Working with Becky Woodcox
- Sending out lists to grade levels for edits

Room Parents—Leentje Stokes via email

- For Valentines the room parents will be making gift bags and bring in any items that the teacher needs for any activity she will be doing in class.
 - They need to bring it in 24 hours in advance to let it sit.
- Teacher appreciation will be the same without room parents coming in
- I have asked Mr. Thornes if the room parents can organize a small package treat to give out at the end of the year for all the children's birthdays.
 - I am waiting for a reply on that one.
- I have been keeping up with all the staff birthdays.
 - We gave the flowers this year.
- I have been looking for a room parent for Mrs. Torgenson's Kindergarten class.
 - I have been organizing the sign up genius for her and parents have been signing up in that regard but not to be a room parent.
 - We will keep on trying.
- I have also dropped off a Valentines gift for all the staff as well.

Yearbook—David Worford

- Need to try one last time to contact Mary L. to make sure she really is not going to be chairing this project

Directories—Cara Fleckenstein

- Have received a few more requests
- All were delivered to the office for pick up

Classified Brunch—Kelli Wallace

- Will be in March, tentatively March 22-26
- Working with Sharon on dates and logistics

Meeting adjourned: 7:37 pm

Minutes compiled by Pam Rice