

JJP PTA MEETING

Date: Tuesday, January 18th

Time: 7:30pm

Location: Zoom

Presidents: Morgan Bondroff and Felissa Allard

Secretary: Hollie Mechak

Agenda:

- I. Call to order and welcome
- II. Google Sign-in
- III. Vote upon November 2021 Minutes

-November minutes approved

IV. Birthday Box

- January and February are available on memberhub
- Please give two weeks notice

V. Founders Day

- Congratulations to our well deserving Founder's Day winners: Sol Soto and Mr. Plouffe

V. Nominating Committee

- Executive board members: Jennifer Saslowsky, Hollie Mehak and Kara Flynn
- General members: Jennifer Le Piane and Marie Fonzo
- Alternates: Elyse Habib and Erica Maultasch
- To be on the committee there is a workshop you need to complete every 2 years; Someone will be reaching out to the committee members
- The meeting will be virtual and at the end of January
- Members of this committee will decide who will chair it

VI. JJP Meeting with BOE

- Once a year we get a face to face meeting with the BOE to request things for our school

- Our meeting is January 31st
- Agenda:
 - increase in arts and ed budget
 - district possibly pays for author day books that PTA usually provides
 - expanding clubs to third grade
 - AC to be installed in cafeteria
- We will update if they are able to honor any requests

VII. Reports from Officers

a. Co-Presidents: Morgan Bondroff and Felissa Allard

- We had our first snow virtual day
- The Presidents met with Dr. O'Meara
- They felt this was a good compromise between a snow day and having school
- Doing it this way prevented us from losing a day off of April break

b. Treasurer: Joanna DiGianni

- We currently have a balance of \$33,030.87 with 5 outstanding checks totaling \$783.45

i. Reviewer of Books and Records – Kara Kaplan

- Everything is good

c. VP of Membership: Courtney Parver

- 235 members currently
- Winner of the membership contest will be determined with Presidents
- Reminder to keep scanning box tops

d. VP of Fundraising: Nikki Sacks

- No updates

- Finalizing fundraiser for February

e. VP of Arts in Education: Jennifer Saslowsky

- No real updates; Assemblies remain virtual until further notice

f. VP of Community Service: Kara Kaplan

- Thank you for donating to our “Adopt a Family” fundraiser
- The families were very appreciative
- Our next fundraiser will be “Book Fairies” during PARP week (last week of February/first week of March); We will be collecting books your children have outgrown or are done reading

X. Reports from Committees

a. Curriculum- Sol Soto and Marie Fonzo

- Maturation puberty lessons for 4th grade:
 - Information will go out to parents
 - Kids will be split by gender for lessons
 - If you have any questions contact Sol Soto or the school
- PARP:
 - discussed BOE covering the cost of author books, which is currently covered by the PTA
- Study skills K-4:
 - How to better build the bridge to 5th grade
- Steam Night is April 7th; an email will go out with more information

b. Health - Sol Soto

- Dairy association gifted us \$5000 for recess supplies; Options to purchase are being discussed
- School meal participation has increased a lot this year, most likely because it's free. We don't know what next year will look like in terms of cost, but there will most likely be an increase.

c. Nutrition – Sol Soto

- Our contract is up with current company
- The district is getting new service bids from a few companies
- BOE will evaluate and make a decision which company we will use
- Discussed elementary school options for hot lunch options; Two reasons for not increasing the choices are the size of the kitchen and also kids don't like options when they are little. It is being looked into for may once to twice a week.

d. Title IX – Jana Kron

- Did not meet

e. Transportation & Security- Hollie Mechak

- Field trips are happening just not as frequently as in the past. As things get better they will increase.
- No update on Stop Arm camera program
- FlySense: alerts are less frequent since installing
- Michigan School Shooting:
 - *Missed opportunities:*
 - Not searching child's backpack and locker
 - Allowing the child to come back to school after initial concerns
 - Not notifying the police right away
 - Sending the child back to class after the parents left the building
 - Did not respond to social media post bragging about gun
 - Correct Steps:
 - Incident would be reported
 - Child is taken away in ambulance
 - House is searched
 - Child never sent back to class; Police called

f. Technology – Jennifer Saslowsky

- Did not meet

XI. Report from Mrs. Clampitt

Grade Updates:

- 4th graders put on their winter concert performance; It is still on the website if you missed it
 - Thank you to Mrs. Rilling and the fourth grade teachers; It was amazing!
- 4th grade changes to club dates; There was a scheduling conflict and parents should have gotten an email. If not, reach out to Mrs. Yohe
- Music:
 - Recorder email went out to third grade families, and will be coming to fourth grade parents as well
 - The recorder curriculum is a work in progress
 - The current plan is to resume the program after February break, pending what things look like at that time
 - There is always an option to move to virtual learning experience if necessary.
 - Reach out to Mr. Rogers head of the music department with any questions
 - You can order recorder through a fundraiser at the school
 - No recorder concert this year
- PARP Week: Mrs. Dennis and the PARP committee are planning for the end of February
- Please make sure your children wear jackets; They are going outside as much as possible
- Unit 3 of Harmony: Communication
 - Grade specific letters went out with extensions at home
- Covid update:
 - Reduced quarantine for isolation and close contact to 5 days
 - update from Dr. O'Meara came out via email
 - A questionnaire needs to be filled out before students and staff can return to school after quarantine or isolation
 - Day 0 is first day of symptoms
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Kindergarten:

Reading: Super Readers: reading with print strategies and sight word power

Writing: Writing for readers, writing full sentences

Math: Numbers 6-10, working on addition

Social Studies: Civic ideas

Science: Ecosystems - Fish Unit

Favorite Moments:

- Coloring during free choice
- Playing outside with friends at recess

First Grade:

Reading: Non-fiction: the world around them

Writing: Non-fiction chapter books

Math: Relationship between addition and subtraction

Social Studies: Family stories

Science: Light, sound and communication

Favorite Moments:

- Making new friends in class
- Reading a book on chrome book during reading

Second Grade:

Reading: Growing word solving muscles

Writing: Poetry

Math: 2-digit addition

Social Studies: Urban, Suburban and Rural areas

Science: Mealworms, Dynamic Earth

Favorite Moments:

- Inspecting soil during science
- Playing outside during recess

Third Grade:

Reading: Just finished Mystery Unit, reading for clues

Writing: Changing the world- persuasive speeches, petitions and editorials

Math: Division and fractions

Social Studies: Country studies

Science: Adaptations and survival

Favorite Moments:

- Identifying parts of a whole with fractions in math
- Reading like a detective,
- Learning how to write in script

Fourth Grade:

Reading: Details and synthesis

Writing: Literary essays - fiction

Math: adding and subtracting fractions by whole numbers

Social Studies: Colonial America and the American Revolution

Science: Simple machines and circuits

Favorite Moments:

- Being a part of the art club
- Going to the discovery lab

-Dinner Time Chats:

- What made you proud or feel good about yourself today?

*Next meeting March 7th, 2022 at 9:30AM