



Malcolm White PTO

Minutes: Monday, April 12, 2021

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Executive Board Members Present -- Amy Panichella (President), Carla Beaudoin (Treasurer), Kevin Kealing (Secretary), Areti Papadopoulos (Vice-President)

Members Present -- Mr. Nickerson, Chris Elwell, Renee Prestia, Mary Bonsignore, Christina Russo, Lisa Hendrickson, Christina Makinin, Paula Noonan, Jackie Desmond

- 1) Call to Order, 7:00pm
- 2) Review and Approval of Minutes from 3.8.2021 meeting
 - a) Approved by unanimous vote
- 3) Principal & Teacher Comments
 - a) Principal's Comments: Mr. Nickerson thanked everyone for the smooth return to full time in-person learning
- 4) President's Report
 - a) Next year's board
 - i) The Current board will be running for re-election with the exception of Areti Papadopoulos. Others are able to be nominated and run for office if they would like to. Normally we would have had April nominations but we didn't do that this year.
 - 1) Amy made a motion to hold elections for next year's board at the May meeting with nominations to be submitted between now and the day of the meeting. Kevin seconded the motion.

2) Amy invited nominations to the PTO email address.

b) Return to in person learning

i) Water bottles: PTO funded water bottles for all students returning to in school learning

c) Staff Appreciation Week

i) Amy invited people to submit ideas or join the committee for Staff Appreciation in May

d) Community Day

i) Community day will be held on May 3rd from 3 - 5pm. Jennifer Jones is the contact.

5) Treasurer's Report

a) Carla reviewed monthly financials

i) Tiger trot income finalized and netted \$5,145.69

ii) Change is simple has been paid

iii) Water bottles were purchased for all students

iv) PTO bought bundt cakes for teachers in March

v) PTO paid annual subscription to Money Minder

vi) Received \$300 for 5th grade fundraising

vii) Ending March \$9743.47 not including \$1,900 check deposited but not yet cleared.

6) Vice-President's Report

a) Virtual Trivia Night

i) Friday, May 21st, virtual event. Tickets are \$25 tickets ahead of time, \$30 same day

ii) Currently working on coordinating prizes / gift cards

iii) More information can be found on the website

7) Enrichment Coordinator's Report

a) Amy reported in Ulli's absence.

- b) Christina Russo reported that the 5th grade enrichment program through the Commonwealth Museum was a great fit with the curriculum and went really well. Kids really enjoyed it.
- c) Top Secret Science offered free enrichment next year in exchange for photographing kids working with them.

8) Sub - Committee Reports

a) By-Laws committee

- i) Kevin reported back on the work of the by-laws committee. The committee met and revised the bylaws. Using a template our current bylaws were adapted to best practice by focusing on basic framework of PTO and then moving much of the content to standing rules.
- ii) Kevin walked through the bylaws section by section and explained changes.
- iii) Bylaws will be voted on in May unless there are suggested revisions.

b) Financial Reconciliation committee

- i) No updates, in progress

c) 5th grade committee

- i) No updates

d) MWE Scholarship committee

- i) Scholarship applications were due last Friday. Amy will be distributing packets to committee members and collecting feedback. Winner will be announced close to graduation.

9) Questions, comments, concerns

Next meeting is Wednesday, May 12, 2021