

Grant PTA ~ Agenda

Monday, September 13, 2021

Welcome -- Abbie

- **We are again in a holding pattern regarding fundraising, volunteering and activities/events.**
- Introductions
- **Attending: Monica, Lindsay T, Abbie D, Ambyr S, Ron & Kirsten J.**

Treasurer's Report -- [July 1-Sept 12](#)

- Last year FYE: \$9416.95, this is our beginning balance which we will need to work with giving fundraising limitations. (final reports attached in email)
- Current balance: **\$ 9173.71**
 - **Two more things to add in -- Memberships and shirt sales funds from open house (will reflect in October's report)**

Secretary's Report --

- Previous notes can be accessed online (current year) or by request (previous years items), [relevant forms and items are hyperlinked](#).
- Meetings will be conducted online in Google Meet until further notice, notes emailed out within 48 hours. The following were agreed upon tonight:
 - **Vote: Meeting time: 2nd Monday, 5:30pm**
 - **Dates (7 meetings): Sept 13, Oct 11, Nov 8, Dec 13, Jan (email?), Feb 14, March (spring break -- email?), Apr 11, May 9 (vote), June (email)**

Membership Report

- Please turn in your [membership forms](#), \$5 dues (change from \$5.25 as CR council no longer charges dues). **attached to this email thread Can be sent to the school office via classroom teacher, in a sealed envelope please.**
 - **Theresa & Abbie will coordinate to get membership forms to the staff**
 - **We will do a membership blitz in October -- may combine with a pledge-style fundraiser**
- Current membership: 13
 - Note: we need 25 members to stay current with the PTA organization. Tell your friends!

Yearly Calendar

- **Overdue:** we need to solidify leadership for this year. Abbie, Lindsay and Mindy are the current officers as of last year but we are due for a rotation of leadership (per our bylaws). Particularly with the president and treasurer roles as bylaws do specify that it is a 2 year term, beyond that only in extenuating circumstances. Abbie has already served this role for 3 years. Who can take on official leadership? (Abbie will still be here to help, of course, as needed, and is willing to do Treasurer or Secretary if someone else can take on President) **nominate and vote in October**
 - **Abbie to send out leadership duties/year at a glance**
 - **Ambyr willing to do Treasurer, Ron or Kirsten willing to look at requirements and help if possible. Anyone else interested in helping connect with Monica or Abbie and we will happily answer any questions.**
- **Bylaws** update due by Dec 2021 (Every two years, submitted annually) -- attached for review, **vote October**
 - *Note: yellow highlights are proposed changes, orange highlights are matters of compliance we must address this fall, I'll change that color as we address them.*
- September Update data with Iowa PTA and district (Abbie)

- October conferences -- will be online, so we can provide snacks/drinks rather than a meal
- October -- Federal tax declaration (N990 e-postcard) (Abbie)
- January -- Gambling reports and IA sales tax declaration (exempt) due
- Spring Conferences --
- April/May -- Leadership nominations
- May -- Year end celebrations, 5th grade graduation
- May/June -- Field day
- June -- leadership vote
- Fiscal Year End -- 6/30/2022

Budgeted Items *Submit [requests](#) via email or through Theresa/Office, or in PTA mailbox.*

- Budget/current status: **attached to email** Please remember these are estimates and may be subject to change as situations and needs change.
 - No fall fundraiser/Spring Fling at this time.
 - **Classroom Support:** \$100 per classroom/per school year, request by? **submit by Spring Break (unless otherwise notified). VOTE: approved**
 - **SPARC:** *not at this time*
 - **Library:** \$500 funds for buying new books. **To be submitted by 5/31. VOTE: approved**
- **anything over the amounts above, must be proposed in person at a meeting and/or to the PTA board.**
- [Request form](#) and [Google calendar](#) will be shared with staff. Contact Abbie with questions or if you need it again.

Grant PTA Family Fun Night

- These are currently on hold for health and safety concerns per district recommendations.
- Anyone interested in helping to plan these when we are able to do them again?

Fall Fundraiser - Red Wheel

- **fall fundraiser on hold** in light health and safety concerns for students and staff, given current district guidelines (no parents/volunteers in buildings at this time, no in-building PTA events or fundraising events/activities -- including order pickup, not advisable for students to be out in public selling at this time).
- **We were originally scheduled to start selling 9/9, wrap 9/27 and have delivery 11/1.**
- IF we get this rescheduled should the guidance change we will apprise everyone of dates.

Winter/Spring Fundraiser ***Dec agenda item, unless we determine to do something earlier***

- Ideas welcome (LY we thought about Read-a-thon) -- **revisit October and determine if this will replace fall fundraiser -- possible pledge sheet, no-sale fundraiser too.**
- **Meal fundraisers (local restaurants)? Let us know if you have any connections to any local restaurants that might offer this.**
- HyVee Coupon books? Sell Feb or March?
- Explore: let us know when/if you plan a fundraiser and we will coordinate to not overlap

T-Shirts/School Spirit items

- *Inventory is in PTA closet, by size*
 - Black only, Limited to sizes on hand, \$5 -- mostly youth M and maybe some adult M or L
- Sold a bunch at the Open House!
- **Discussion in future about providing shirts for all students -- let's get the ball rolling on this**
 - **Abbie to communicate with Kelly Bayuk (art) about a design**
 - **Cotton Gallery again, contact Kurt**

Approved purchases

- Tshirts? See above
- Possible need for supplies for the promethean boards (which may due for replacement soon anyway so this will depend on how soon that happens).
- Sleds, rakes, shovels -- 12 each -- Abbie to watch for these

Other Business

- Mission Statement: question was asked and this is listed in the bylaws (Art.II, Sect. 1) but we could certainly use this more prominently in our literature.
 - Update brochures/flyers
- Other opportunities to support Grant:
 - HyVee Cash4Schools (HV Receipts)
 - Box Tops (scan your receipts in the app!)
- ***Please note -- new data has come out in the last few weeks regarding illness mitigations, health procedures, and masks -- check your email often, families :)***

Principal's Updates -- Monica

- Great start to new year!
- No SPARC (Sharing Passions And Recognizing Creativity) at this time
- Would love to see outdoor seasonal recess things again -- everyone loves them!
- Testing window is open now for FAST testing in reading and math -- this is our benchmark that we do a few times a year to measure growth and learning.
- New school websites launching this week, updates may take time thank you for being patient
- October conferences will be held by Google Meet whenever possible -- or other arrangements with teachers and parents/guardians. These will be scheduled during a conference window like last year. PTA to provide snacks/drinks pick me up for the teachers.
- Stay healthy -- stay safe!

Upcoming Dates

M Oct 4 -- No School, staff learning

M Oct 11, 5:30p -- PTA Meeting -- Google Meet

M Nov 9, 5:30p -- PTA Meeting -- Google Meet?

Nov 25-27 -- Thanksgiving Break, progress reporting