

**Viola Gibson PTA Exec Meeting Minutes** 

07/09/20 6:30 PM Zoom call

Meeting called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Eric Christofferson

Attendees: Eric Christofferson, president; Sarah Mersch, vice president; Anne Kapler, co-secretary; Julie Rosenbohm, co-treasurer; Sarah Eischeid, co-treasurer; Heather Spangler, co-volunteer coordinator; Ashley Hoppe, co-volunteer coordinator

- Back to school plans
  - No update on back-to-school plans from Denise Pape.
  - Superintendents for 4 area school districts (Cedar Rapids, Linn-Mar, Marion, and College Community) are meeting regularly and will follow the same plan/guidelines.
  - Don't expect a traditional back-to-school open house/supply drop-off.
- Budget
  - Silent auction was held virtually even though Spring Carnival was cancelled. We raised around \$6,000
  - Expect that we won't need as much money for teacher training and fall study trips this year. May be able to use money from these ares for needs related to COVID-19
  - PTA will look into cost to purchase masks for school to use as back-ups, if needed
- Playground update
  - Contractors have been busy this summer. Hope to start playground updates this fall. Expect a 2-4 week installation time frame once updates begin.
  - PTA may do another push for the brick fundraiser this fall.
- PTA rGator Gallop
  - Will likely need to find a new model for this fundraiser this fall
    - Idea: Virtual race
    - Idea: Readathon (possibly in combination with America Reads Day)
  - May need to find new electronic communication and donation options in place of paper envelopes
- How can we welcome new families this year?
  - Idea: Could we do something outside the first week of school? Heather will look at quotes for a tent.
  - Idea: Video tour of the school that we can send to kindergarten families before the first day of school. Maybe for all families? Eric will mention to Denise.
- Adjourn at 7:40 p.m.