

## PTA Meeting 9/14/2023

President: Aimee Cardon

Vice-President: Emily Wilkinson

Co-Treasurers: Julie Rosenbohm, Allie Boenish

Co-Secretaries: Jennifer Mixdorf, Erin Sneller

-Budget Update: budget approved

### Staff Requests

-Niki Gerdes (4<sup>th</sup> grade): request for funds for 4<sup>th</sup> grade field trip to Indian Creek Nature Center to go along with their science curriculum. Busing is already covered, just need funds for the ICNC fees. Motion to approve. Approved.

-Jess (building engineer): request for equipment for her lawn mower to make cleaning up the grounds easier and more efficient. Tammi will speak with the district to see if there is a fund to cover this cost and the PTA will re-visit this request once this has been clarified.

-Tammi and Shelby asking for a building laminator with funds this year. Shelby will look into pricing and the specifics of what they want. PTA will revisit this at future meetings.

### Principal's Update

-ISASP scores from last year are available to parents on Infinite Campus. Viola Gibson students had ~2% growth for both math and ELA. Viola Gibson students had the best writing scores in the district and scored high in the entire state of Iowa.

-Roller skating unit will be moved to October instead of January this year due to Coach Murray request.

-Music Concerts will return for each grade level this year. Plan for concerts to be in the gymnasium with the first concert starting in October.

-School staff are looking into starting up after school clubs this year. There are many different interests. Funding of these clubs is still being determined as are the details of each proposed club. Teachers are excited to bring some of their enthusiasm and instruction in extra-curricular activities.

-Staff are interested in the idea of a lending library for flexible seating with leftover funds in the budget. This would allow all students to have the opportunity to use flexible seating and take some of the burden off the teachers to provide enough seating for their classrooms.

### Fundraising

-Gator Gallop is next Wednesday, September 20<sup>th</sup>. We need volunteers to help. Our goal is to raise \$20,000 and some of this money will be spent on a new sound system for the gym.

-Silent auction to be skipped this year such that it can be started back up next year, earlier in the year and allow for more local businesses to donate and participate.

Next PTA Meeting will be Thursday October 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 in the Viola Gibson Library.