

Minutes: FR PTO Board Meeting
10/11/22
F/R PTO Meeting: 5:30 - 6:30

Call to order – 5:35

Attendees: Ann Sydnor, John Wallace, Emily Powers, Colleen Manner, Mickey Willis, Ashley Russel, Colleen Moss, Erin McMillan, Mary Rihani, Ellen Boyle, Christina Hanzlik, Sara Levin, Suzette Willis, Sylvia Ramirez

Parent Empowerment Group Update – Ellen Boyle

PEG groups have been on hiatus during Covid and during this time, connections were made on a needed basis. We are ready to rebuild these communities starting with Latino and Hmong Parent groups.

Latino PEG Group: Kick off will be a Las Posadas party with a big homemade meal, followed by a meeting in February to help families navigate conferences. End of April will be a Children's Day celebration. End of year picnic at Brittingham park. Would like to request the same amount of resources and support from the PTO for the end of year picnic. Families look forward to making food and sharing.

Hmong PEG Group: this is a smaller group. We will be starting from scratch.

Question: Cristina: How can families find out about who else is in the group? Yvonne can help send info. Perhaps there could be a google group. Cristina will reach out to Yvonne

Meeting Minutes: August & September: Ann makes a motion to approve. Erin Seconds. Minutes are approved.

Budget Vote: This is a membership vote and we need to have at least 10 members to vote. Colleen Moss motions to approve the 2022 – 2023 budget. Colleen Manner seconds. 12 Votes in favor. Budget approved.

Board Member Elections: Soumya Palreddy and Christina Hanzlik are running to co-chair the fundraising committee. Ashley motions to elect. Colleen Moss seconds motion to elect. 12 Votes in favor. Motion passes - Thank you Soumya and Christina!

Fall Fundraiser Update: Officially started today – posted on the newsletter and PTO website. Letter has been posted in Spanish as well – working on Hmong. Working with staff to incentivize donations via social media. Soumya looking into how to handle checks – Ann or Claudia can deposit in the bank. Letter will be sent via Facebook, PTO listserv, School Newsletters via principals, teacher newsletters. Going fully online. End date: November 25th.

Community Engagement:

Randall Halloween Event: End of the month, Sunday 10/30 is a playdate at Randall 10-12 with costumes, cider, and popcorn. Very informal. Questions: Can we make bathrooms available? John can look into cost/availability to have a custodian there to let people in for bathrooms and

popcorn. We want to keep it simple and buy popcorn and not have the bathroom? We do not want to complicate this. Decision made to not open the school to keep this simple.

Franklin Movie Night Event: Sarah volunteering to help and Ashley + Colleen Manner can help as well. Propose to have on a Friday since custodians will already be there – perhaps Nov 18th at Franklin. Logistics: How to get license for the movie. Equipment- we need a projector, Randall has a projector. Erin has a projector as well. Bring your own pillows / matts. Popcorn machine was available in the past. Families and bring blankets/ pillows and PJs. We will need to recruit volunteers for specific tasks – Google Doc or Sign Up Genius. Post opportunities on Facebook and the Google Group. Send out reminder to volunteers the day before the event.

Next Community Meeting in January: please reach out to Mickey if you have ideas. Consider overview of Volunteer process – like an orientation. Social/Emotional, Nutrition?

Glow Ball: Lindsey organized before Covid and would help pass the torch. Do we want to try again? 100th Birthday for Franklin – could we tie that in? We need to rebuild our volunteer lists to help make an event like this.

Classroom Coordinators: tabled for this year.

Meeting adjourned: 6:30