

PTA Executive Board Meeting

May 5, 2021

Attendees: Kerry Schwed, Julia Krahe, Romesh Ratnesar, Christina Burnett, Adam Frost, Kristine Inchausti, Eulynn Shiu, Ashley Boyle, Beth Prince, Elke Chen, and Jen Geoffroy

- 1) Teacher/School Supply Status
 - a) Smartboards have all been repaired
 - b) All devices seem to be in working order
 - c) No asks for supplies

- 2) Executive Board and LSAT Elections
 - a) Kerry Schwed (co-president), Kristine Inchausti (bookkeeper), and Christina Burnett (recording secretary) have reached the end of their terms on the Executive Board
 - b) Kerry will ask Deb Dasgupta if he can administer the election online.
 - c) Currently have bios for 3 LSAT new candidates and 2 Executive Board candidates, would like remaining bios submitted to Kerry no later than Sunday, May 9.
 - d) Christina will post candidates and bios on Bloomz by the evening of Monday, May 10.

- 3) PTA Budget Proposal for SY 21-22
 - a) Adam and Kristine did not receive any questions on the budget proposal during the question/comment period
 - b) Christina will post another reminder of the budget vote, highlighting the line items on the Hoot Force and the reintroduction of gear purchases, in addition to assurances that supplies for new classrooms have been budgeted.
 - i) Classrooms in the fall will include 3 CES classes, 2 PreK-4, 3 Kindergarten, 3 First Grade, 3 Second Grade, 2 Third Grade, 2 Fourth Grade, and 2 Fifth Grade, in addition to the specials classrooms, the math and reading specialists (combined fund), 3 ELL, and 3 SPED.

- 4) Teacher Appreciation Week Follow-up
 - a) Banners and cards (over 300!) were prepared by students on the playground and lunch
 - i) Many thanks to Eulynn for organizing the effort!
 - b) PTA provided treats and gift cards for lunch for the teachers both in-person and virtual.
 - i) The teachers were extremely thankful for the PTA's efforts.

- 5) Virtual Enrichment/Field Trips
 - a) Should the PTA put on another round of enrichment activities before the end of the school year?
 - i) Would need a new call for volunteer
 - ii) A one-off event, like trivia or BINGO may be easiest to put together
 - b) End-of-year virtual field trips?
 - i) Classroom funds should cover costs
 - ii) Perhaps pick one or two for several grade bands to avoid wasting too much time/effort.
 - iii) Parent led or teacher led field trips? Call for another group of volunteers?

- 6) Community Day (Formerly E-Cycle)
 - a) Event will be held May 22 from 9:00 a.m. to noon.
 - b) No electronics recycling this year.
 - c) Activities will include collection of donations for We Are Family, sports equipment swap, bike swap, and diaper donations for the DC Diaper Bank.
 - d) Gear sales
 - i) Not a lot of gear left, may need to make a bulk order
 - (1) Up to \$1000 of the Executive Board fund may be used to purchase additional gear for sales at the Community Day event and to prepare for the new school year
 - (2) Line item for gear purchases to be included in the PTA budget for SY 21-22.
 - (3) Sales at Community Day event will be through Venmo and cash.

- 7) Communications
 - a) The Executive Board discussed the potential for replacing Bloomz as the Hearst community messaging service and utilizing new technology for easier communications amongst the board members.
 - b) Further investigation and decisions on new platforms were tabled until the new Executive Board is in place.