

WGPTC Meeting 8/24/2021 – Minutes

Location: Wood Gormley Elementary School, 6-7pm

Attendees, board members: Denise Thomas, President; Carrie Wood, Vice President; Ana Archuleta, Secretary; Kristin Roby, Communications and Classroom Representative Coordinator; Christy Wood, Spring Events Chair

Parent attendees: Desara Boehm, Jenny Cope, Emily Garrett, Leslie Vitale, Cozette Hansen, Rachel Stofocilk, Michal Hayes

Principal: Karen Lindeen

Meeting Called to order by President at 6pm

Approval of May Minutes:

Will approve at the next meeting

Principal's Report:

Excited to be here, share some accomplishments. 297 students this year, current average daily membership (ADM), working on tracking who is actually attending, any available seats, waitlists for K, 1, 2, 5 at present. ADM will determine how many seats she can open. Need our numbers to stay high so we keep teachers, but not overwhelm them at the same time, a balancing act. Will be getting as close to full as possible, which varies dependent on grade level. Still a few more waitlist kids coming. There are still kids that are on the roster that aren't actually coming.

After Care: still waiting...needed to get a whole new crew. We now have a coordinator in place and getting a few more teachers coming. Also looking to hire a mom from another school to help. Being cautious so that when we open things will be ready to go, currently waiting for one last piece of information. 36 kids currently registered. Need 2 people every day at least, 3 is ideal. Fridays are the big problem right now. Could start with a M-Th schedule first and hopefully add Friday later.

Clubs and tutoring: 3-4 teachers working on forming a tech club for 5th and 6th grade that will be super exciting. Lego, things that will evolve over the year and culminate with coding robot battles. Yoga club in the works, tutoring has started in different grade levels.

ESR funding: how to spend money and what needs are there for the students. District wants after school tutoring and or enrichment. What are the interventions we can make, different math programs, and other educational ideas. Suggest we use ESR funding for tutoring rather than PTC funds. With this

money there is potential for a Spanish club, or another club that has been too expensive previously. Teacher may need to be present depending on the number of students enrolled. Karen will look into it. ESR money comes for 3 years. Books and materials will also be purchased, in discussion with the teachers about use of these funds. Karen wants to solidify what will be done with that money within the next week or so.

Afterschool Clubs:

Dienke would be interested in doing a graphic arts club or something similar again. Spanish club, if we do let's have two groups divided between the younger and older grades. Let's work on soliciting info and skills from the community, what clubs they want to see and also what they might contribute. After last year where we raised no money, we elected to pay for clubs through direct donation. In the past we had made all clubs free. With direct donation hopefully we get enough funds to have the club pay for itself. With ESR funds we can pull back on needing those direct donations. We have no fundraising budget for those clubs. We would have to vote on that. Absolutely let the ESR funds cover tutoring. Were able to get into our reserve in order cover things we were committed to already i.e. art teacher supplement etc.

For volunteers within the school for any reason SFPS is requiring proof of vaccination, or weekly negative testing.

Additional Club ideas: green club, service club, knitting/crocheting, chess, American Sign Language, Spanish, outdoor adventuring club

Student council: will we have it this year? Who runs it? Officers? Class reps? Environmental element could be something that student council would do.

Suggest that PTC takes clubs and ESR funding takes on the tutoring expense. Denise moved for school ESR funds to be used rather than PTC funds to cover tutoring costs. Ana seconded. Passed unanimously in a vote.

Fiesta/Pet Parade:

No idea if there will be a parade, can't do that. Virtual pet parade last year, but the kids aren't home now. Friday of Fiestas, September 10th, help the teachers put together pet parade-ish or fiesta based party or event to tie it to Fiestas. Any ideas of a way to not skip it altogether? Think they would be into it, but may be too much. Could still do a theme? Have each class come up with a theme. Parent idea to do a class pet or booth done outside the classroom and the kids could tour the different classrooms to see the other classes. Even put their own pets on the wall, imaginary pets, decoration. Each class choose their theme and do it as a class, and then the school tour on the teachers own time. Work with

the class reps to put it into place. Kristin will help put together the ask for each class to know how to participate.

Movie Night:

Sept. 17th, screen is confirmed, assuming Audrey has paid the invoice. Fun event PTC sells food families come for the movie, watch and eat, kids vote on the movie during school. Raffle tickets for the VIP section, huge bean bag and rugs, pizza and snacks, prime seating, front row parking, way to generate more funds, candy stand, popcorn, snacks and glow in the dark tchotchkes. Will be outside, masks will be required. Tape out squares on the field like the drive-in does to keep people separated. The kids tend to gather. Kids do now have the option to remove their masks during recess. But the whole school will be present so masks should be required for all. Generally a very popular event. In order to make the events possible, we must keep it safe and follow rules. Food service. Usually sell whole pizzas, and also by the slice. This year must only do all pre-packaged food to sell. Whole pizzas only. Pre-order to give us an idea of how much to order. Dions, doesn't donate, but they give us a deal and we don't pay tax. Popcorn, pre bagged, candy. Donut truck is owned by a WG family. Food trucks have issues with where the actual truck can go in the city.

Group effort for the event. Movie night on a Friday, need to send up a Sign UP genius

Movie suggestions for the kids: Space Jam (classic), Coco, Book of Life, The Princess Bride, ...

Fall Festival:

Saturday afternoon is where it moved to which was better. Can't get too far into planning, can pick a date. Oct. 16th. No Carrie or Rachel on the 16th. Weekend after indigenous people's day. Tentatively the 16th. Class reps will require major involvement. October 23rd perhaps better. Saturday earlier in the afternoon, 2pm or so. No Denise on the 23rd.

Discussion re: Purchase request from Teachers:

They want a new laminator. We had one and it broke, very old. \$300 dollar version, or for one with the roller and the heating element \$1800 to \$2500. Definitely needed. Possible to purchase with ESR funding? Could create a line item in the budget for the laminator. Need information from Audrey, per Denise we must create a line item in the budget in order for the PTC to fund this purchase.

Need to amend the budget to move the money for the tutoring, and add a line item for the laminator.

Add a line item to the budget: School Equipment. Ana moves to add a line item to the budget for School Equipment in the amount of \$3,000. Kristin seconded. Unanimous approval. Audrey will need

to coordinate to get funding. Will have to get paid for and then reimbursed by PTC. PTC has no CC, can only write a check. School goes through certain vendors. May be able to go outside their vendor constraints because PTC will pay and they are a separate organization. Throw in some laminate rolls. Some stores have a community fund to help with such things.

Update on Parent Contacts and Class Representatives:

7 class coordinators so far, sending another message out to the classrooms that haven't gotten a volunteer yet, currently missing reps in 3rd and 4th. Important liaison between PTC and classrooms to help get parent volunteers for events also the best way to get information out to new families. Include people in the conversation, as well as helping the teachers with ways to communicate as well. Others tasks include helping with holiday parties, organizing a teacher gift, ways to assist the teacher.

Open discussion:

\$400 of spirit sales on parent night. Online store, need to figure it out, needs to be updated to do sales.

Popcorn day: Sell it after school , maybe popsicles.

Push for direct donations in the beginning of the school year to boost money, get support early. Move forward with this now that we have gotten response from parents willing to be contacted. Option to push funding support up front rather than having to volunteer. Would be ideal to move from our events being purely fundraisers, to being events that focus primarily on building community.

Treasurer Report:

No Audrey this week.

Meeting adjourned at 7:10pm