

Kruse Elementary PTO

Meeting Minutes Dec. 14, 2020

Conducted via Zoom

Attendees: Megan Kirk, Karen Slocum, Charlene, Jennifer B., Jessica H., Mica R., Bria B., Ms. DiCecco, Mr. Corcoran

1. Call to Order
2. Review Minutes of Nov. 2020 meeting - *Megan moved to approve, Charlene seconded*
3. Old Business
 - a. Book Fair - Charlene - *Brought in 40% of average book fairs. Able to give each teacher 5 golden tickets. Wasn't able to give much to the teachers, instead gave the funds to Ms. Priebe (Librarian). Ms. Priebe ran the entire event at the school and it was a lot of work. Consider giving Ms. Priebe a thank you basket with funds from the book fair budget. Will re-evaluate the Spring book fair if we have it it will have to be run differently.*
 - b. Book vending machine - *Should be arriving sometime late winter. Ms. Pribe used some funds from book fair to purchase books to stock machine. Also there is a donor that wants to donate \$500 to stocking the machine.*
 - c. *Snowflake Teacher appreciation project- Megan reported we had around 150 snowflakes turned in.*
4. New Business
 - a. Principal's report- Kirk - *mentioned we'd be getting an email the next day about getting kids back into the schools.*

- b. Giving tree (on going) - Natascha - *Concerned with how many grocery cards we have gotten. Looking into possibly using some of the funds to purchase non-perishables for the families.*
- c. Staff appreciation - Mica - *Decided to wait till May to have staff appreciation week. Hopefully there will be less COVID restrictions so we can do more. Gave teachers and staff Spices for Holiday gift.*
- d. After school program/ family fun nights- Jessica - *Starting after school STEM classes via zoom. Jessica will be leading it. There will be a cost.*
 - i. *Family fun night will happen Dec. 16th Mr. Montgomery draw-a-long and Mr. Wagner sing-a-long.*
 - ii. *Trying to figure out a family fun night to have Mr. King involved in.*
 - iii. *Mr. Montgomery would like to bring the Art Club back. Looking into details for that.*
- e. School Fundraiser - Megan - *Focus will be school rewards instead of individual rewards, reduced monetary goal, include a way for kids who don't bring any money in can participate possibly bookmark contest.*

5. Other business

- a. *Bria- virtual spirit wear opportunity. She found a way to make distribution easier. Will report back in Jan. with more details.*
- b. *Big purchase: Marquee, Mr. Samples to look into it for quote.*
- c. *Big party: Discussed that it would be cool to have celebration in May or early next fall for getting through this all. Potentially unveiling marquee and rock garden. Possibly also have fundraiser reward during this.*

6. Adjournment

Next PTO Meeting will be held via Zoom on Jan. 11, 2021 from 6pm to 7pm