

Kruse Elementary

PTO Notes

October 12, 2020

I. Call to Order

In attendance: Megan Kirk, Jennifer Booker, Karen Slocum, Rochelle Reynolds, Jessica Harral, Charlene Olms, Kirk Samples, Tessa McMahon, Kristen White, Mica Rogers

II. Review of September 2020 Meeting

Megan- motion to approve minutes, Karen seconds

III. Old Business

A. Fundraiser Rewards- Megan is still trying to figure out how to get rewards to students. Jessica suggest making an announcement in the newsletter asking to be contacted if families would like to receive their rewards.

B. Sliming is still going to take place when the time is right.

IV. New Business

A. PTO event Calendar-

Kona Ice was a success

Mr. Montgomery will host a family paint night in November

Mr. Montgomery also sent out the link for Original works

V. PTO events

A. Meghan plans to host a Virtual Halloween Bingo event via zoom on Friday Oct 30th. Cost is free for up to 100 cards, additional would only cost 10.00. no prizes, just for fun and kids could wear costumes. Megan will contact Wendy Dolgin to see if she has an interest in pulling numbers.

B. November family event will be at Urban air.

C. Community event for October is a mask drive. Jessica to send an email this Friday so Pam can get it in the next newsletter. Idea is to place a bin out front and Mr. Anderson would help coordinate with students and teachers who need them.

D. Update on Directory is that progress slowed from the changes in software.

E. Amazon Wishlist was not as successful as hoped. Karen mentioned a lot going on at the time. Possibly send out link and directions again. Maybe do a grade level team list instead of individual class list? Megan will explore Amazon SMILE. Links are high maintenance to manage since they expire and if teachers want to add anything to the list it requires a new link.

F. Kruse appreciation poster a success. Lots of participation. Megan suggest a second event since we already have the stakes.

VII. Book Fair

A. Charleene has let scholastics know by next wed how we will proceed, either in person or online with our bookfair this year. The benefit is 55 percent of an in person sale, and only 25 percent if we chose offline sale. The previous book fair was online and brought in 1,000 dollars, where an in-person store brings closer to \$ 8,000.

B. PSDV kids would place their order online and a personal shopper would pick and pack the items for pickup.

VII. Air Purifiers

A. Megan has done a lot of research on the purifiers. Ryan Lynch has reached out to her about the possibility. Medify is the system Megan is looking into. They normally run \$270 per unit, but she can get a discount to get the price to \$217. We would need 24 units. Would run close to \$5200 to buy and 48 per filter. Totaling \$6353.76 Need to replace filter every 6 months for warranty. \$2200 a year going forward for filters.

B. Kirk said HVAC System in school has been updated and is a Merve 13 filter. He will reach out the HVAC people to find out how many air changes per hour.

C. Need to schedule another time to vote soon to get the systems order. Karen Slocum said she recognizes it is a big-ticket item but likes this idea especially if all kids come back at some point.

VIII. Yearbook

- A. Do we want to do a yearbook or just class photos since there are not many activities, and parties to add to the content? Rochelle suggested a social media post with a specific topic to have families submit photos for. Kristin is already saving photos from Social Media to use. Kristen will put the google drive folder on social media. PSDV kids can also visit the studio for school pics or they can submit a headshot to the google file. Kirk will send out an email to PSDV families to inform them of the google drive to place headshots.
- B. Looked at other vendors, staying with Skillman this year. May 1st is the deadline for Skillman. Kirk will remind teachers to take more photos in classroom setting as well as help take photos himself.
- C. PTO will pay for the 5th grade yearbooks this year. Last year cost 724.98

IX. Other Business

Mr. Anderson is suggestion another grocery card drive. Maybe work that into Thanksgiving time? Also started talking about the giving tree this year. How will we work thru that? No wrap party. Jessica suggest that each classroom “adopt” a family. Megan to email Natasha to see if what idea she has and if she has reached out to Mr. Anderson.

Next meeting November 9th 6-7