

Pinecrest Parent Council Meeting Notes

11/10/2020

6:00-7:30pm Virtual Meeting through Zoom

1. Call to Order
 - a. Welcome and Introductions
 - b. Approval of Minutes
2. Officer Reports-
 - a. President- Update on Marco's Fundraiser below
 - b. Vice President- Going to have Amy send an email out to Kindergarten parents who would be good candidates as a member or Officer with the PPC. A short message (short letter) to go out to possible candidates who may be interested in joining as a member or Officer.
 - c. Treasurer-
 - i. Teacher reimbursements having been working out smoothly. They can attach their receipts and send those to us via email and I can mail a check out to them.
 - ii. Option for MSUFCU business checking account- we can get a business checking account with MSUFCU and have no monthly fees.
 - iii. We can have up to 100 transactions per month for free.
 - iv. Do they have an option to take donations online? Because we don't want to have to handle people's credit card information. We don't know for sure, we know they can do member to member transfer.
 - v. Maybe we can get an MSUFCU business account and then get a chip reader, so we don't have to handle people's credit card numbers personally. It's all 3rd party with the chip reader so that would work out well.
 - vi. That's what we do at Donley and we have found out how to link the business account to a google form to track the information.
 1. I can get more information from the Donley Parent Council to see how it's set up.
 - vii. Tanya and Meghan going to gather more information on the account and it's options/security and bring that to next month's meeting.
 - viii. Meghan looked into Quickbooks and it looks like we can switch to a new computer and have all of the information transferred over.
 - d. Secretary-
 - i. Directory Report below
 - e. Principal-
 - i. Report Cards to go out this week
 - ii. Survey for possible return to in person school went well, good response and we followed up on those who did not respond.
 - iii. Schooling will continue online through the end of December
 - iv. Still discussing the options of how an in-person school schedule would look

- v. There could be some shifting of teachers depending on how many families decide to return to in person.
- vi. Trying to be as transparent as possible with the community. The data we have collected will be very helpful in making decisions on how to move forward.
- vii. Thank you to all of the parents for the patience and understanding and supporting of the teachers.
- viii. The board would like to give parents as much information as possible before the Holiday Break.

f. Teacher Representative-

- i. Virtual Scholastic Subscription for 2nd and 4th grade
 - a. 2nd and 4th grade teachers are jointly submitting this grant request-
 - b. Scholastic Schools has been in the school budget previously
 - c. It provides practice with fiction and nonfiction reading and access to current events.
 - d. It doesn't make sense to be buying paper copies right now. The digital version is exactly the same and you can integrate it with google classroom. There's videos and it's interactive.
 - e. We're requesting funds for the digital version. It costs \$5.35 per student. Rounded off, we estimate that it would cost \$535 for 100 students to have a subscription.
 - f. Good cross content to have, hits across many different subjects.
 - g. Was there any discount for purchasing for the whole school? No
 - h. Motion Passed

g. Volunteer Coordinator-

- h. Book Fair Coordinator- What week would we like to do it? We usually do the first week in December. We want the books to arrive before Christmas.
- i. Let's plan on November 30th – December 4th and possibly later.
- j. We can get a digital flyer out in a Wednesday email. We'll need to advertise it more than usual to get people's attention.
- k. We'll need a high level of sales from this to be able to buy teachers books again.
- l. Maybe we can put together a couple examples of appropriate grade level suggestions to give to teachers to send out.
- m. Lisa going to look on their website to get more suggestions as well.

3. Old Business-

a. Directory-

- i. Directory process went well using the Google Form, I definitely recommend we do this again next year.
- ii. A special thanks to Katie for her help with organizing the directory information.
- iii. We did not get as good of a response as last year. We had around 115 submissions, last year we had closer to 150, but we also had more student last year as well.
- iv. Amy will be posting the directory in this week's Wednesday email with a blurb on submitting edit requests. I will take edit and submission requests through

November 20th. After November 20th I'll make the updates and we can resend out a final copy.

- b. Marco's Pizza Night (December 2nd):
 - i. We have not had a great turn out over the last couple of months
 - ii. Going to have Amy Uecker send out the reminder via email separately from the Friday email.
 - iii. Let's remind our kids to bring it up to their classes
 - iv. We can make a flyer to go out in curriculum packets
 - v. Donley is doing the same thing and they're having a hard time raising funds also with Marco's
- c. 2020-2021 Officers-
 - i. Any leads on the President and Vice President Position? Tanya will remain as President for now.
- d. Pinecrest Scavenger Hunt
 - i. 102 registered, great success.
 - ii. The scavenger hunt raised \$4,600 in funds and after costs and transaction fees, we will have a \$3,300 profit.
 - iii. We had great feedback from the event, the kids and parents really enjoyed it.
 - iv. Thank you so much April for pulling this together so quickly.
 - v. We have left over masks- maybe April can send the link to Amy U. with the link to the run sign up website to purchase them.
 - vi. We were considering purchasing adult masks to give to the staff. We can purchase an order of 50 and that would be more than enough.
 - vii. Motion to purchase 50 adult masks- 2nd- none opposed- and passed.

4. New Business

- a. Grant Request- above
- b. Field Trips- usually we have a budget for field trips. Have we taken those out of the budget, or do we need to do anything with that?
 - i. We will likely have less income this year between fundraisers so it may just be a wash.
 - ii. Maybe they can do some type of virtual field trips
 - iii. Let's come to December with some possible options

5. Open Discussion

6. Adjournment