

Cobbles Elementary PTA Minutes

April 15th, 2021 Zoom Meeting

Present: Dr. Kenny, Lindsay Wilson, Patience Prinzi, Jordan Marsh, Katelyn Donald, Jennifer Roach, Fiona Stauffer, Casey Wyant, Emily Belcer, Molly MaGuire, Lindsay Principe, Renner, Jackie Sauter, Mindy Staba, Lauren Puccia, Yonjong Choi, Bryan Dowd, Heather Drews, Ari Elliott, Rebecca Shaw, Gary Sector, Kelly Barbieri, Nicole Devolder, Bethany Latta, Andra Smith, Jeff Weaver, Ami Braun, Liz Zeitner, Kate Torok, Laura Ballou, Michaela Wall, Robyn Lincoln and Robyn O'Grady

Meeting called to order at 7 pm.

Treasurer report – Ari Elliott

- Our revenue is \$33,785. This includes \$17,000 that was carried over from last year. \$3,000 left to spend this year. Flexibility for next year.

Teacher Report – Jackie Sauter

- The teachers have loved having the kids back every other Wednesday
- History maker for the month is Maya Angelou. Each class/ grade level will be doing projects

Principal Report – Dr. Kenny

- Kids coming back to school full time Monday April 19th. Everyone is excited!
- Overall focus is to bring kids back safely
- There has been a lot of time and effort to adhere to the NYS guidelines
- SEL will be huge focus moving forward. There will be a portion of the day dedicated to the kid's mental health
- Thank you to parents for sending your children. They have been remarkable and adjusting so well
- Please no breakfast if you already eat at home. Breakfast will have to be in the cafeteria and there just is not enough room to have everyone safely distanced.
- Cobbles has had ZERO positive test results with the children
- Kids will not be allowed to pick seats in cafeteria and they will be assigned
- Children will probably be tested more than once.
- Buses will have windows open to allow for air circulation
- Very exciting – will make the next ten weeks safe and great!

BOE report – Emily Belcer

- This is third year for science grant – \$7500 to purchase mystery science kits
- Board completed the equity audit
- There will be a budget hearing – annual budget items – land purchase on Jackson rd., 7 additional school busses and capital reserve plan
- Meet candidates over zoom on April 21st.

SDM (Shared decision making) – Heather Drews

- SEL activities were distributed before Spring break
- SEL resources – 5-minute activities
- April is stress awareness month and May is mental health awareness
- Big Life Journal – helps children grow resilient, confident and emotionally healthy – will ask Ari for purchasing. Up to each teacher if they want to implement

LOTE – Fiona Stauffer

- 40 kids signed up to do the program virtually – has been going well. Two weeks left

Diversity/Equity Committee – Diana Guerin

- 10-11 parents on this committee.
- What is interview process for hiring next principal and for the other 5 open positions
- Interview committees
- Nomination forms
- Would like to see a more diverse staff

Screen Smart – Yonjong Choi

- Promoting non digital play
- Bingo boards – ask parents to take pictures of the boards and upload

President's report – Patience Prinzi

- Laptops for K-5 will be turned in before Summer. Wait until someone tells you to bring in.

If anyone has any questions about reopening, Dr. Kenny is happy to answer phone calls and emails!

Next meeting Thursday May 13th. 7 pm