

Calvin Smith PTA Agenda and Minutes

Wednesday, Sept 2nd (9:30 am- 10:20am)

Calvin Smith Elementary Zoom



Members Present: Kami Huntsman, Lora Wright, Cyndi Beck, Lindsay Cottrell, Andrea Chan, Kylie Wotring, Lisa McDonald, Sarah Terry, Audrey Nielson, Jordyn Tingey, Meagan Rowley, Stephanie Proud, Becky Pitts, Charity Huff, Nicole McDermott, Jenny Christensen, Liz Jensen, Cindy Dunn, Natalie Miyamoto, Claudia

Members Excused:

Conducting: Kami Huntsman **Reverence:**

Treasurer:

Conflict of Interest- Signed by board members only by the 15th of September.

Budget Approval- Funding was greater in the past because of selling chocolates but this year we aren't going to be doing chocolates because of COVID-19. We will do something different and try and earn \$20-\$25 per child and then make sure we spend less than \$5,000 budgeted. Raising Funds: Spirit Night, School T-shirts... We will increase the budget for red ribbon week to \$750.00 for the purpose of the water bottles. Let's stick with water bottles rather than earbuds for red ribbon week since earbuds are so cheap and get broken so quickly. Sarah asked what the health section goes to: the money is spent on the maturation program: refreshments, vision screening: water bottles for volunteers and cups for the kids to cover eyes, Play ground: jump ropes, balls, other playground equipment... (Lisa Mckdonald motions to approve the budget, Meagan Rolley 2nd the budget approval.) No one disapproved.

Treasurer Monthly Report- Will be available for everyone to see from now on.

PTA Money Procedures- Stay within the budget you're given. Read through the guidelines of spending and reimbursement form. Make sure the PTA items are the only thing on the receipt. (Don't include personal items.) Don't worry about having the company do sales tax exempt. We are reimbursed for that later now.

Basic Fiscal Management- Will be signed through email this week.

Secretary:

Meeting Changes: We will be doing all meetings virtually. We plan to do them the 1st Wednesday of the month at 9:30am on zoom.

Survey Following Meeting: We will send a follow-up by email that day and then you need to respond through email by the following Friday. You can vote through email also. You need to be a dues-paying member to vote.

Principal report:

Open Positions at Calvin Smith: Full-time Playground Aid: 11-2pm, T/TH playground aid: 11-2, Playground substitutes. How do they apply? Through the district: granitedistrict.org then go to classified section then go to the general section: hourly employment. Then call the office to tell them you've filled that out and then they can come in for an interview. They may get calls from other schools once they've filled that out.

Business/Action Items:

Teacher Grants- Teachers can apply for a grant. \$1,000 per grade or \$250.00 per teacher. Mrs. Dean has applied for a grant for paper and velcro dots and wants \$80. Purpose is for a copy to have in class also and more dots on the floors for her students. Sarah asked how much paper the teachers get at the start of the year: Cindy answered that sometimes the teachers request for paper that isn't the same that the district has in the warehouse. Dots are for markings on the floor and she only received 15 of those and needs more for the kids in her class. Cindy said they are supposed to receive more yellow dots soon by September 4th. They already gave them the blue dots but the yellow haven't arrived yet. We will ask Mrs. Dean if she'd prefer to use her money for something else. Lora motions to approve the paper for Mrs. Dean, Megan seconds the motion to approve.

Board Vacancies- A list of these are included in the email. President Elect: Help the President for two years and then serve as the PTA President, (Kami wishes she had done the president elect first. The activities will be done really differently this year. Mothers Son Activity we will still do but it won't be a mass gathering (possibly taking home kits), For example "Hawk Eyes" is for Male volunteers in the building but that won't be able to work the same.

New Board Position- Emergency Prep: boxes in the classrooms: reassess what's in them- Andrea Chan will do them, Distant learning rep: Stephanie Proud will head that. Nicole will do the Super Bowl of Caring, Megan Rowley will do SEP teacher meals, Audrey Nielson will do Vision Screening, Sarah Terry will help with white ribbon week: Kami Huntsman and Megan Rowley will help her. Natalie will help with reading week.

Family Engagement Activities- We will not be doing those in person. We haven't planned it yet. Ideas are a drive-by ice cream stand....

Memberhub and store- This is what we are doing now! There were only 3 sections to donate but Kami has added t-shirts, old t-shirts, masks, chocolate bars. Lisa loves the tie-dye and the zip-up shirts! There are several different shirts and hoodies available online. Should we offer past years on member hub for like \$2 per shirt? Everyone votes "YES" it allows families a cheaper option if they can't afford one. Will people feel bad about paying for the 40th anniversary shirts that were free last year? We have a lot. Lindsay says do it and get rid of them. Maybe give to kids in need at our school for free. Lisa let us know

if there are kids who could benefit from a free t-shirt. We will also offer masks with the school logo. Maybe sell last year's chocolate bars in the member store later.

Volunteering- You must wear a mask when you are in the school. If you need to decorate or do anything in the school you need to obey the rules that the kids do and wash hands, wear a mask, don't come sick...

Emergency Prep Items- Discussed above

Change Spirit Day to Thursday: How are we reporting for online kids? Kami will ask the teachers. Stephanie Proud says the kids are in PJ's anyways don't worry about them. We could take a picture and email it in by a certain time in the morning on bloomz. Then we could give the distant learners a prize.

T-shirts, masks, old t-shirts: We will list these on member hub also to get rid of them as mentioned above.

Upcoming Events:

Membership Drive-

Spirit Nights: First one is at Cafe Zupas on Tues, Sept 15th 5-9pm at Jordan Landing. Try to offer a variety of places. Nicole asked "Does Fizz do spirit nights?" Fizz is a great idea!

SEP Conferences- sept. 23rd and 24th

Book Fair- No physical book fair. It will be virtual. Stephanie Proud will be incharge. We hope the book fair will still go well and continue to help the teachers.

Reflections Theme is I Matter because... Dues 10/7 Reflections is now online. It's really awesome. Karen is in charge of it and has decorated the board with the info and categories. Karen needs 6 judges and they can live anywhere in the world. If you have a judge that you'd like to ask if they'd like to volunteer please let us know. Every category you enter will get your name in a drawing. Everyone who enters gets an extra recess or a free ice cream coupon or something like that. Sarah Terry has a contact for waffle love and she will check with them about a donation. Charity Huff says she forwarded all of the old judge info.

Reconfiguration update- Every school in the Taylorville network is supportive of moving the 6th and 9th grades up to the next school level. It will begin in the 2020-2021 year. How can we make this experience meaningful for our 5th graders also? They miss out on safety patrol, etc. We will have a double graduation this year. Let's come up with some ideas.

Questions/Concerns:

Halloween Parades: Cindy just told us they are canceled! Kids can dress up but kids will have to wear masks, Parties can't be done by volunteers, only pre-packaged treats can be sent. Maybe we can use Bloomz for sign ups for parents to provide treats or prepackaged activities for kids. The faculty will talk about it and let us know how we can help.

Contact Info: Sarah asked if there is any way to get a hold of the PTA members. Answer was to email the PTA email or look on member hub to see if contact info is available. Kami will send Cindy a list of all of the people we need to add to the PTA list. She will need a name and cell phone.

Bloomz: Will PDF work for Kami to have Cindy to send to the whole school? Cindy said that PDF and any other form would work just fine.

Signature: *Lora Wright*