



MINUTES

LWE PTO Board Meeting
Date: 2/8/2022 Time: 8:00 am

Current Board: Paula Draughn | Heather Davis | Tonya Boggan | Brittany Barnette | Ann Mitchell | Samantha Bloomquist | Jennifer Baldacchino | Kelly Buchero | Jennifer Suehs

Discussion:

General Welcome/President Report – Paula Draughn

- Welcome everyone to our February meeting (starting at 8:05am)
- Due to the increase in Covid cases – only board members & speakers can be present. Will be on Facebook Live.
- December Minute Approval
 - 1st – Brittney B
 - 2nd – Heather D
 - APPROVED

Principal Report – Sam Hicks

- Glad to be here even with a few people.
- Hopefully by mid February we will be back to in person. LWE is back to 95+ % attendance. We got down to 72% attendance (and that was the best in the district).
- District will probably make changes by mid February - more parent involvement again, etc.
- Father/daughter dance had to move Friday, 2/25.
- Field trips are back - traditional trips might be different but happening.
- Math is a Big Deal is happening 3/3. Fun event for the family. High school students come & help.
- We are asking teachers to zero out their PTO budget and start planning for next year
- In regards to quarantine time frame, we are following what the district has told us to do.. We are still doing 10 days instead of the 5. This will probably change at some point but right now we are following TEA & district. If you want it changed write the governor & the TEA

Teacher Report – Ms Torwick (lead 4th grade)

- 3rd grade wrote a thank you for the books PTO purchased (Wild Robot)
- Kindergarten says thank you for math centers
- 4th grade is excited for Valentines Day. They are making a craft for their bags on V-day
- All 4th grade teams have reserved the STEM room for once a week
- Blue bonnet reading program- 24 students qualified to vote for the blue bonnet books. They have a fun day ahead for this students.
- Texas Reads One Book is coming up –
 - We will be reading Dog Days
 - Families should read this together
 - If you turn in a selfie, student will get a stuffed dog

Samantha Bloomquist (for Amber Hamby – Father/Daughter dance chair)

- Rescheduled for Friday, 2/25 @ 6:30-8:30
- There will be a DJ, photo booth, and a craft for the girls to work on
- Roaring 20s theme
- Light refreshments
- Craig's truck for pizza & gelatos. Bring cash for truck.
- Eventbrite for RSVPs so they have an idea of head count
- You can buy a flower crown or corsage from White's Floral.

Natasha (Event Chair for the Mustang Fiesta)

- Open bar is happening! Thank you sponsors!
- All vendors in place
- Almost sold out of tickets - 23 left
- Auction team updates - they need volunteers to canvas for them. I.E walk into stores and ask, pick up, etc.
- Have a lot of ppl to help set up/decorate but need help with auction
- Need help the night of the event (I.E check in, check out)
- Some fun ideas - puppy will be there, Maria Victoria is giving out swag bags, trip to the Masters, trip to Cabo
- Sponsorships are sold out!
- Raise the paddle is for playground equipment
- Be sure & spread the word - if you aren't at the event, you can still bid on the items
- If you have any suggestions/ideas for teacher auctions, please let Hicks know. I.E, pizza party, etc!
- What to wear - fiesta theme. What you would wear to a Cabo/Mexico wedding (fun, bright, etc)
- 6-8 Cocktail hour (beer burrows walking around)
- 8-10 Dinner & Auction
- 10-11 fun, dancing, etc!
- Adults only!

Jennifer Suehs – Garden Update

- Saturday, 2/26 is set for garden day. Time TBD? Will advise
 - Everyone is invited to come out & help.
 - Bring your family
 - Lots of great teachers on the committee this year
 - They are going to add the garden to their curriculum

Guest Speaker – Amber Hart (Real Estate Agent/Diamond Sponsor)

