



MINUTES

LWE PTO Board Meeting **Date:** 4/4/2022 **Time:** 8:00 am

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

Discussion:

General Welcome/VP Report – Heather Davis

- Welcome everyone to our April meeting (starting at 8:04 AM)
- Please be sure and thank you Paula for all her hard work as President for the past 2 years. She is out of town so Heather is stepping in.
- Mustang Fiesta update - \$69K!!! Record breaking year!
 - We are already working on ways to spend the money we have raised:
 - Replacing the gaga pit
 - Purchased new items for the maker space
 - Brittney Barnette is taking the lead on an update to the teachers' lounge
 - Still brainstorming on ideas to spend the money
 - Planning to spend over the summer
 - If you have any ideas from a previous school, please reach out & share
- March Minute Approval
 - 1st – Brittney B
 - 2nd – Kelly B
 - APPROVED

Principal Report – Sam Hicks

- Tomorrow is “Wear Blue” because our “new” Principals & Vice Principal say to do it! (Winners from the auction)
- Talent Show will be two weeks from tomorrow - 4/22
- This week is Asst Principal week so please tell Dr Sharp -Thank you! Let her know how much you appreciate her

- STARR test:
 - There is no retaining/holding back from testing
 - We will have required tutoring
 - You might lose an elective
 - Getting kids on their grade level
- A lot of messages about bats! A few came back from testing - no rabies. We are working on it.
- 5th grade parents:
 - None of the schools are going to Six Flags
 - We are going to have the 5th grade Buccaneer walk the last day of school.
 - Prior to the walk there will be a parent presentation (music, art, etc)
 - Thursday, 5/26 - 5th grade will have their traditional luau. Time TBD.
- Wanted to mention Cristy Castanares (our guest speaker) is amazing,

Coach Judson (PE coach)

- We can't thank you enough for all the support you give us!!
- Kindergarten
 - Kinder field trip will be on Monday, 4/11 to Sweet Berry Farms
 - They are excited to carry on the kinder circus tradition on 5/14 @ 3p
- 2nd grade
 - Thank you for the Sonic drinks!
 - Going to the Exotic Zoo. Thank you for the buses
- 3rd grade
 - Love their books & fraction tiles
 - Also enjoyed the sonic drinks
- 5th grade
 - Huge thank you for sonic drinks
- Library/ Brekka
 - Thank you to the parents for supporting the spring book fair - we made \$4500 for library
 - Texas reads 1 book - thank you to PTO for purchasing the books
 - Children are enjoying picking out their plushies for taking a picture reading the book
 - Texas reads 1 book ends 5/4 – any child that finishes the book will get to watch the circus dog performance
 - On Thursday, 4/14 Chris Barton will be speaking to 3rd-5th graders. If you purchased a book, please bring it for him to autograph
- Art/ Ms Blauvelt
 - Thank you for all the 5th grade canvases
 - Starting on our Texas flag
- PE
 - We are starting our fitness gram (state required) - just do the best you can
 - Mother/Son kickball is coming up. Such a fun event. Over the next few weeks, we will work on the rules of kickball so that the kids know how to play
- We are trying to build a positive campus culture. We are having an end of the year staff party. If you have any connections, please let Coach Judson know.
- Thank you for the time to share!

Heather Davis / VP report

- We are going to stock the teacher's lounge again from 4/18-22. They are low on supplies
- There will be an Amazon wish list. Be on the lookout for that
- Our TA team (Andrea Glenn & Casey McArdle) have done an amazing job! Thank you to them
- PTO will be spending money on treating the teachers the last few weeks of school

Erin Shore & Kate Schweiger / Mother Son Kickball Chairs

- The event will on Friday, 5/6 @ Hudson Bend Middle School
- Craig O's for sale
- Check in 5-5:50
- Game 5:50-7
- We need volunteers. Referees, etc
- Free event
- Please register thru the Eventbrite so they can prepare and have teams

Tonya / New Board Nominating Committee

- NEW BOARD
 - President – Samantha Bloomquist
 - Vice President – Brittney Barnette
 - VP of Sponsorship – Ann Mitchell
 - Treasurer – Mai Dragoo
 - Secretary – Jennifer Suehs
 - Grade Level Coordinator - Kelly Bucheru
 - Volunteer Coordinator - Heather Davis
 - Campus Coordinator - Jennifer Baldacchino
 - Committee Relations - Kristin Murphy
- Vote today to approve the new board
- They will start in May
- Approval
 - 1st – Samantha B
 - 2nd – Brittney B
 - APPROVED!

Angela Emory (Talent Show Chair)

- Co-chair Fran Guzman
- Just finished auditions last night – we have some major talent
- Working on getting everything set up with sound & concession
- More details coming soon
- Dress Rehearsal on Thursday, 4/21
- Talent show is on Friday, 4/22

- Working to have an area for the kids to sit up front for better viewing
- Tickets are free
- There will be an Eventbrite just to get an idea of attendance

**We were almost unable to have the Talent Show so thank you to all the volunteers!

Cristy Castanares (Guest Speaker) – Interim Hudson Bend Principal

Meeting adjourned @ 9am