

MINUTES LWE PTO General Meeting Date: 9/1/2022 Time: 8:00 am

Current Board: Samantha Bloomquist | Brittany Barnette | Ann Mitchell | Jennifer Suehs | Mei Dragoo | Jennifer Baldacchino | Kelly Buchero | Kristin Murphy

Discussion:

General Welcome - Sam Hicks

• Welcome everyone to our first general meeting of the year

President's Report – Samantha Bloomquist

- May 2022 Minutes Approval
 - o 1st Heather D
 - o 2nd Brittney B
 - APPROVED
- New Board introduction

Teacher Report – Ms. Crenshaw (lead Kindergarten)

- Kinder Teddy bear picnic a success
- Tomorrow (9/2) Gingerbread Day
- 5 senses feely fair coming up
- Thank you to PTO for new centers materials
- Things going well so far this year

Sam Hicks - General School Announcements

- Welcome to the school So glad to have everyone back for a normal year
- Buses are a challenge but dismissal time is around the same (Went from 7 to 2 buses)
- September, early Oct is biggest fundraiser, Apex
- Level Up theme get back to traditions from past, put covid behind us. Want to bring LWE back to family events, home room mom, coming to lunch, etc
- Admin team: John Harrow, former superintendent and high school/MS principal
- TOSA Stacy Carter (teacher on special assignments) M/W/other days as administrative help
- Other admin: Monahan, Victor, Margaret, Brigid registrar, Nurse Neil
- We want input on security new things are:
 - Every Friday check every door shuts and locks
 - \circ $\;$ PD does the same and walks the hallways
 - Bringing back Watch Dogs Dads

Mei Dragoo - Treasurer's Report

- High level report
- Incoming transactions:
 - o Only revenue through fundraisers
 - Nominal revenue from spirit wear
 - Social in the spring
 - General contributions from sponsors
- Raised \$200,000 last year, budgeted \$186,000
- Outgoing transactions:
 - Good amount spent on teacher appreciation
 - Funded additional supplies
 - Provided treat carts, spoil teachers
- Makerspace program creative space for kids to build
- \$600-800 a month
- \$15000-18000 spent on new laptops for teachers leads
- Want to expand the playground

Intro of John Harrow, interim VP

Samantha Bloomquist – Apex Update and Introduction

- Apex video
- Apex will be 9/27-10/6
- 2 week leadership program with a fitness fundraiser obstacle course (X-factor theme)

Jennifer Baldachinno – Pumpkin Party

- Family fun event
- 10/28 5-7pm on the back field
- Pizza truck, costume party, games
- Rain or shine; backup in the gym

Closing - Sam Hicks

- Everything PTO does is big
- Need fundraising and volunteers to make it happen
- Ultimate recess day given by pto
- Adding math/science night
- More to come

Meeting adjourned at 8:32 - Start of Volunteer Fair