



MINUTES

LWE PTO General Meeting

Date: 03/02/2023 Time: 8:04 am

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

Opening - Samantha B.

- Housekeeping items: January 2023 Minutes Approval
 - 1st – Brittney B
 - 2nd – Ann M
 - APPROVED

Teacher Report – 5th Grade team - Malone, Serfoss, Metcalfe

- STAAR interim testing done - good data; start pulling small groups to work on weaknesses
- 3/10 career day
- Book fair (last one for 5th) end of march
- Student intern for Serfoss from the high school
- STAAR testing end of april/beginning of may - will be 1 test per week instead of all 3 in a row
- 5th Grade musical moved to 5/4
- 5/19 author visit
- 5th promotion ceremony and Buc Walk end of may

President's Report – Samantha B.

- Successful VIP/Daughter Dance and VIP/Son Bowling events
- New furniture for hallways in 4th and 5th grade - coming in April
- Mustang Social on Friday
- Career day on half day 3/10
- Talent show on 4/21; signup by 3/29 - check mustang messenger for info
- Vote to approve Budget
 - 1st Mei D
 - 2nd Kristen M
 - APPROVED
- New board to transition in May
- Brittney B presents slate:

- Jennifer B, Kaitlyn Lowe, Corey Randolph - committee for slate
- New board transitions in May/June
- New Slate:
 - Current Board +
 - Grade Level Coordinator: Carmen Beck
 - Campus Coordinator: Cassie Reynolds

Mustang Social update – Lauren Crouch, Lauren Proud

- Ms. Mustang (dog) auctioned as last item
- 6pm - 11pm
- 3 tickets available if anyone interested
- Check in at 6pm
- Silent auction went live yesterday
 - QR code on stickers with kids to get into the auction
- Cocktail hour at 6-730pm outside
- Glam booth, other fun stuff to capture the night
- Seated Dinner starts 7:30
- Keep checking, auction items still being added
- Can bid on silent auction or live if not there

5th Grade Updates – Melody LeSage

- Budget 5k
- Some used for sock hop
- Tshirt slated - all 5th graders get tshirt with all the names on the back - Sarah Carroll designed
- End of year party - silent disco, dj, lights - 5/11 or 5/18
- End of year luau - maybe do carnival theme this year - limitations on water and electrical outside - dunk tank, inflatables, food and games
- Need committee chairs for both of these big events
- melody.lesage@gmail.com - reach out if you want to help and volunteer

Guest Speaker – HB Principal Laura Keogh, Serita Shola (counselor)

- Meeting last Monday night for rising 6th parents
- Course selections due 3/10, hard deadline
- 4 core classes required, only ELA and Math are honors - talk to teachers to see if that's a fit
- In math honors, you will be advanced to next level
- Must take PE credit (PE, preathletics, dance)
- 2 electives (one must be a fine art)
 - last Friday fine arts showcase at HB for 5th graders - immersive experience
- If you take 2 fine arts, one has to be a music class
- Tech apps is another option (must have one tech class)
- Must enter selections into Skyward - video available with instructions
- No schedule changes
- Enter course requests through student account, not parent account

- Any questions, ask your counselor or reach out to HB
- Will be doing Buc bash this year prior to start of school; (Buc games is 6th grade only event)
- Tour school, and walking schedules
- If you miss band instrument tryout...there are makeups for this - reach out to Annalysa Walker
- Orchestra is different to find which instrument
- Take Tech apps in order to take digital media or yearbook in 7th
- Band - each instrument has a different class period
- Is there designated practice time and how many concerts? 2-3 concerts; practice up to your child; options for private lessons if you want, 30 min practice time expectation
- Band and athletics works together well with schedules
- Dance: just sign up or audition? Tryouts only for 7th and 8th (Pom squad)

Closing - Samantha B.

- Closing - excited to see everyone tomorrow - check silent auction
- Meeting adjourned 8:36am