



MINUTES

LWE PTO General Meeting

Date: 04/13/2023 Time: 8:03 am

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

Opening - Samantha B.

- Mustang Social successful!
 - \$56,877 raised
 - In talks about how to spend
 - Thank you to all sponsors and families!
- Kinder 101 event successful - lots of kids registered
- Maker space is finished! Reveal coming - thank you Callie and committee; kids already working in there
- Volunteer appreciation month - shoutouts on social, thank you all
- Coffee on us from PTO as a thank you to volunteers throughout the year

Principle Report – Sam Hicks

- Office team fully staffed now
 - Susan Gadberry new admin assistant
 - Rena El-Sadek new office assistant
- Staar has changed, now one test a week - need parent volunteers to monitor hallways during this time
- Safety concerns and how they are being addressed:
 - controlled access to the building - must have badges or stickers
 - bond money will improve access point in front office; bullet resistant glass, new entryway, maybe this summer
 - clear plans for if something happens - posters for drills; drill regularly for specific events (lockdown, active shooter, etc)
 - No one has to wait to call 911 if you see something
 - culture of safety- want to train the kids not to open the door for people in classrooms (at all school levels)
 - cafeteria, front doors and kinder gate/doors are main access points
 - will eventually be a buzzer to get into front doors
 - educate kids on safety, bullying,
 - cavs tip line: work on getting students familiar to how to use that, or write a note
 - Rule he wishes he could change - when you implement a consequence to a student, privacy policy is that he can't tell other parents what that is

- o when there is a threat to someone (self harm or to someone else): do a threat assessment and it automatically goes straight to Norton, Police dept, etc - will take immediate action and everyone will know
- o Dial 911- goes straight to district, etc
- o partner with community; lakeway police response time is 2 minutes to LWE
- o Ltisd police not here as much right now, but looking for more in the future
- o Pto pays for off duty cops at major events
- o Parents are a big part of keeping us all safe - see something say something - we are all part of the security
- o Parents asked to come up at recess and lunch for 4th/5th grade as extra eyes
- o Parents can meet one on one if you want to discuss this
- 36 literacy volunteers plus library volunteers - everyone should keep an eye on things
- Changes to LWE in future:
 - o No plan of anything different for zoning right now
 - o No hiring until mid to late May
 - o Always need monitors and TA's, PE teacher (Judson retired)
 - o Some of old lakeway might come back to us at some point potentially
- New initiative: Mustang class/student of the week for positive reinforcement
- Coffee cart is much appreciated

President's Report – Samantha B.

- Meeting tonight at LTMS to hear more about rezoning
- District hosting career fair 4/22 - LWE will have a table

Talent Show update – Francesca G. and

- Talent Show is 4/21
- Family free event, all welcome, even if you don't have a child performing
- Doors open 6pm
- Pizza, drinks, treat
- Please rsvp through eventbrite
- Need volunteers for concessions, backstage, cheerleaders, set up and cleanup
- Extra parking across the street
- 20 acts

LWE Bylaws Update – Kristen M.

- Tried to tailor bylaws to what we are doing
- Update position names and streamlined responsibilities
- Allowed general member meeting every other month
- Updated signature authority for treasury
- Preliminary right now - can check them out on website
- Vote will be 5/4

New Slate Presentation – Jennifer B.

- New board transitions in May/June
- New Slate:
 - President: Samantha Bloomquist
 - VP: Brittany Barnette
 - VP Fundraising: Ann Mitchell
 - Secretary: Jennifer Suehs
 - Treasurer: Mei Dragoo
 - Community Relations: Kristin Murphy
 - Volunteer Coordinator: Heather Davis
 - New - Grade Level Coordinator: Carmen Beck
 - New - Campus Coordinator: Cassie Reynolds
- Propose a vote for this slate: all in favor?
 - APPROVED

Guest Speaker – Ortho 360 sponsor, Miranda

- 6 locations, newest in lakeway across from HEB
- Only straighten teeth, not cleanings
- Start kids age 7 and up
- Do braces, expanders, and for adults
- Cost varies, insurances covers most
- 2 orthodontists in the office; staff travels
- Phase 1: before all permanent teeth, maybe has early problems before full braces later
- Phase 2: full braces, invisalign teen options

Closing - Samantha B.

- Budget is updated
 - Want feedback about ideas
- Housekeeping items: March 2023 Minutes Approval
 - 1st – Jennifer B
 - 2nd – Brittany B.
 - APPROVED
- Meeting adjourned 8:31am

