

Prospect Mill Elementary School PTA

Type of Meeting: General Membership Meeting

Date: 03/15/2022

Location: Virtual via Teams



Attendees:

Laura Lenker (President), Mandi White (Vice President), Lisa Rice (Treasurer), Emily Hale (Recording Secretary), Meredith Colburn (Corresponding Secretary), Karen Jankowiak (Proud Principal), Lorien Covelly (Assistant Principal), Jodi Harclerode, Erin McCadden, Cyndi Powell, Gina Reich, Kim Evans, Sarah Penney, Casey Green, Laurie, Nicole Gianni, Sara Albidress

Meeting start: 7:07 pm

Meeting start, welcome, and introductions – President Laura Lenker. We have quorum.

Request to approve minutes from last meeting (January 20, 2022). Sarah Penney motions; Lisa Rice seconds the motion. **Minutes approved and will be filed.**

AGENDA:

VP/Membership Report, Treasurer's report, President's Report, Secretary's Report, Principal's Report/Teacher/Staff Report, Committee Reports, New Business

VP/Membership Report:

Vice President, Mandi White, membership is always open and we will gladly accept them at any time.

Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer, Lisa White, [shows current income and expenses]. FUNd Run final totals are in with all expenses paid. We are at \$13,800. We raised over \$15,000 but we had some expenses. Holiday Shoppe numbers are pretty much finalized as we have bought for next year. Kid's Bingo was a "give back". Square Art orders will be coming in soon so next meeting we will know more. There are a lot of expenses we still don't know if we will have like field trips, patriot program, etc. We did cancel Ag. Labs. We will probably end up right on the button with the budget.

President's Report:

President, Laura Lenker, discusses events. Virtual Scavenger Hunt will be on March 17 – 25. On March 29th we will host our first Parent Meet and Greet at MaGerk's Restaurant from 6:00 – 8:00. On April 27th. We will host International Night from 6:00 – 8:00pm. We need to start forming an election committee. If there is anyone that would be interested in joining the committee or running for an office please let us know. Elections will take place at our next meeting. We have two positions open: Recording Secretary and Corresponding Secretary.

Recording Secretary's Report:

Recording Secretary, Emily Hale, does not have anything to report.

Corresponding Secretary's Report:

Corresponding Secretary, Meredith Colburn, asked if anyone sees any sales for Holiday Shoppe, specifically gifts for family members to please pick up. Any questions, please contact her.

Teacher/Staff Report:

Proud Principal, Mrs. Jankowiak: We have updated the operational procedures in the county as of March 1st. The students are eating in the cafeteria and our transmission levels are still low. Anyone is welcomed to wear a mask and we all respect that choice without any questions. We just started state testing. We are testing Tuesday and Thursday this week for 5th grade Science. The teachers are doing wonderful work. Picture day is on March 29th and for the first time we will be able to take a class picture. As far as the field trips are concerned, it needs to be approved by a director and it has to be eligible for approval. Also, this late in the game it would be hard to organize field trips as March 31st ends the third quarter. I want to celebrate our staff and students, last Friday we had a reading celebration. The reading supervisor was so impressed with how well our kids are doing!

Mrs. Covelly: Thank you for all of the family's support with the testing. It is going very well. We will continue to send out reminders as the testing continues in each grade.

Mrs. Powell: I would like to echo Mrs. Covelly sentiments. Parents, please continue to keep your student's laptops charged as this was so helpful for the testing!

Committee Reports:

Virtual Book Bingo: We had around 70-80 students participate. We handed out a lot of books to winners. It was a fun event and the feedback we received was that people loved the virtual part as it was easier for the students to keep track of the numbers.

International Night: Preey Shenvi is chairing this event. It is April 27th from 6:00 – 8:00pm. If anyone would like to volunteer to help please contact her or anyone on the board. You can volunteer to help with the event and/or set a table. We can have this event inside as well but we will be minimizing groups lingering in one place and respect those who wish to wear masks. We also plan to have two food trucks for take home food at the event- if they are available. We will have one session from Master Chang as well. Kim Evans will check to see if she can get Wing pins from her company. Preety Shenvi can be reached at: Preety13@gmail.com.

Staff Appreciation Committee: We will be having a committee meeting next Thursday, March 24th at 7:00pm. If you would like to participate in the committee or meeting please let Laura Lenker or Emily Hale know.

Rock Project: Mrs. Jankowiak said she would be open to allowing volunteers helping with the rock projects. We will also collaborate with the art teachers.

5th grade Celebration: Lisa Rice will be the chair. We need volunteers to make a committee. An email will be going out this week asking for volunteers. We need pictures for the traditional slide show. We don't have a lot of photos so we need to see what we can do. Mrs. Jankowiak mentioned that with the current level that we can have a 5th grade award ceremony. We may have to do the ceremony by class to limit the numbers of people gathering.

Reflections: Erin McCadden is the chair. We plan to post winners on Facebook and the website soon. We have lots of winners, county winners, and two went on to state! We would love to have a little breakfast for them sometime in the spring. Erin will get some dates that work for the school. Congratulations to our winners:

Primary Division (Grades K – 2)

Visual Arts: 1st place – Reed Wetzel
 2nd place – Andrew Gable
 3rd place – Carson Harclerode

Intermediate Division (Grades 3 – 5)

Visual Arts: 1st place – Aman Buege
2nd place – Kaelyn Harclerode
3rd place – Addison Powell
4th place – James McCadden

Dance: 1st place – Kerry McCadden

Literature: 1st place – Bryce Hale

Film: 1st place - Matthew Faulkner

All of our PMES entries went on to compete at the Harford County Reflections level. Results from the county include:

Kerry McCadden awarded the Award of Excellence for Dance (intermediate).
Reed Wetzel awarded the Award of Excellence for Visual Arts (primary).
Bryce Hale awarded the Award of Merit for Literature (intermediate).

Kerry McCadden and Reed Wetzel moved on to the state competition. Kerry McCadden received an award of merit for her dance entry. Congratulations to all of our PMES winners!

Yearbook: Jodi Harclerode reports that yearbooks are ready to order now. The 5th graders submitted all of their arts and the teachers voted on it. The cover is in progress and the kids will get their letters on where their art work will be going. A flyer will go out this week.

Field Trips: If field trips cannot happen we would still like to discuss doing an event for the kids. As a board we discussed that the funds were allocated for a fun event for the kids and we want to make sure we use it for that.

New Business: None.

Meeting wrap:

Meeting adjourned 7:57pm

Minutes respectfully recorded by Emily Hale, Recording Secretary