

BSPTO Meeting
November 17th, 2020

Parents in Attendance: Elizabeth Staly, Krista Damm, Julie Keanaaina, Katie Kickenbottom, Jesel Kothari, Kimberly Hawk, Christina Griffith, Randell Pelak, Shannon Poynter, Anjana Nair, Jamie Speck, Hiedi Grossaint

Staff in Attendance: Toni Rosenquist

Approved October Minutes: Motion to Approve Elizabeth Staly, Seconded Kimberly Hawk

Principal's Report :

Volunteers Needed at Remedy City Church for Distance Learning Support. Ideas - Children who have aged out, friends or family, cast a wide net for anyone who is looking to serve the community and help some kids out!

Book Club - Racial Healing. Starts tomorrow, 11/18. Follows what Dr. Lake talked about. Any feedback? Jesel remarked she really liked the break-out rooms. Jamie asked about the slides he used to present, can he send and put out to the parents?

Dr. Lake 2nd meeting January 22nd and one in March for parents. Staff is meeting with him tomorrow. Toni will share out what the staff did and learned.

Community Conversations Around Race - March 10th

Return to School Update - per Governor Brown restrictions. We are above the threshold for 'acceptable' for the hybrid model to be implemented.

Toni spoke about sitting in on classrooms. Seeing the children, giving and hearing feedback.

President's Report:

Read-A-Thon - Close to \$1600 with more donations coming in. Finishing getting books out to children.

Variety Show - Remote? Krista would love some volunteers, please email her if interested or have ideas for doing this remotely. Toni asked if teacher's can participate :) Kim has volunteered to be a consultant. Jamie asked if we should have it live or submit a video to compile together.

Vice President's Report: Afsana not present

Treasurer's Report:

See Attached. Low on Teacher's Fund for reimbursements. Audit was done two weeks ago and will be filing the tax return.

Volunteer Coordinator:

Connection Coordinators, still in need. Discussion on how parents have been seeing fun things from Connection Coordinators. Heidi set up a virtual playground for free time with adult

supervision. This is also good to get parents connected. Volunteer Hours, please make sure you are logging hours.

Green Team:

November Clothing Drive still going on, we have around 350 items donated so far. Clothes Closet still needs volunteers Weds 2-6pm. The drive runs the end of November so please look through your stuff during the Thanksgiving Break.

December activity will be a Xmas Light Recycling. Parents asked if we can do batteries as well. January is up for debate because of Governor Brown's Covid restrictions, so no OFB or Tree Planting at this time.

Eco-Schools is helping us with the Outdoor Classrooms. Life and Rissa are writing a letter to go out to teacher's to help hand out to parents.

Garden Club:

Garden is winterized! Eco-Schools is still helping with a new shed. Please sign-up early for GC and receive a Starter Kit for your child to grow a plant at home that will be then planted in our school garden to help re-grow. Children will be automatically enrolled in the spring GC. Link is in the Bobcat or email gardenclub@bspto.org

Open Discussion:

PTO Closet Moving stuff around, organizing. Randell proposed putting Emergency Supplies in Garden Shed. Security cameras will be going in around the building.

Teacher appreciation ideas (thank you Randell) All kids wear teacher's favorite color on a specific day for Zoom (class wide). Send out a virtual background for the kids to use on a specific day (class wide). Chalk up a parking spot for the teacher and send them pictures (individual). Post a yard sign or window signs about how much your kid loves their teacher and send pictures (individual). The PTO can try and send out blanks for the kids to color. For gift cards please refer to Sunshine's list of teacher favorites (class or individual). Lastly, video messages!

Adjournment - 7:36pm!