



# **CCE PTO Meeting Minutes**

## **Tuesday, April 4, 2023**

### **6:00-7:00pm**

- I. Welcome/Introductions: Lyndsi Kocher, Lisa White, Liz Wyknenko, Tiffany Ramaekers, Holly Lehr, Kirsten Sola, Amy Rahne, Amy Haines, Kristalyn Scott, Katie Crocker, Denise Dice, Sara Welles
  
- II. Financial Update
  - Spring Teacher Appreciation: spent \$582 on food
  - Will share final numbers for Book Fair and Auction next month
  - Sold 76 tickets to the Glow Dance so far, 19 tickets to Ninja Nation
  
- III. Feedback on Recent PTO events
  - Spring Book Fair and Breakfast with Books – week of March 6<sup>th</sup>
    - i. Sales were about \$11,500
  - Teacher Appreciation – week of March 6<sup>th</sup>
    - i. Teachers loved the teacher appreciation food and decorations
    - ii. Will make sure next year to have more options for dietary restrictions
    - iii. 52 different parents contributed! Amazing!
  - Auction – March 31<sup>st</sup> 7-10pm
    - i. Great turnout, 120ish tickets sold plus about 20 staff members, band was great
    - ii. Raised about \$50k, haven't taken expenses into account yet
    - iii. Most of the winners who didn't claim their items at the auction have picked up their items now
    - iv. Emails will be going out regarding Teacher Time events
  
- IV. Upcoming Events
  - Dance – April 14<sup>th</sup> 7-9pm
    - i. Glow Party with a DJ, \$10 per person
    - ii. Tickets are available on MySchoolBucks, parent and child event (not a drop off event)
    - iii. There will be snacks and drinks, music, games, glow sticks
    - iv. SignUp Genius for volunteers went out in PTO email on 4/3
  - Ninja Nation event – April 20<sup>th</sup> 7-9pm, \$10 per person
    - i. Tickets are available on MySchoolBucks, parent and child event (not a drop off event)
  - Spring Fling art show event – May 5<sup>th</sup> 3:30-5:30pm
    - i. Art and PE event, Kona Ice will be there (paid for by PTO)
    - ii. Art will be displayed throughout the school
  - Volunteer Appreciation event – Thurs May 11<sup>th</sup> 5-7pm
    - i. Held at Lyndsi Kocher's house
    - ii. For any parent who has volunteered for any event this year
    - iii. Email will be going out with more info
  - Nature's Educators/"Zootopia" outdoor movie night – Fri May 12<sup>th</sup>
    - i. 5-7pm Nature's Educators will be bringing a variety of different animals

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- ii. 7pm ish Zootopia movie on the field, there will be popcorn and drinks
- iii. Families should bring chairs, blankets, etc
- iv. This is a FREE event, no charge to attend

V. PTO Elections for 2023/2024 school year

- Email Lyndsi Kocher by 4/21 if you would like to nominate yourself or someone else for any of our positions for the upcoming school year, email went out on 4/3, information about each position can be found on the CCE PTO website

VI. Principal Rahne Report

- Auction funds will be spent on shade structures for playground, also would like to get some picnic tables
  - i. Garden area also needs to be fixed up, it floods
- Music Concert – put on by Mrs. Balchuck, May 10<sup>th</sup> (daytime) and May 17<sup>th</sup> (evening)
- Senior Breakfast – May 15<sup>th</sup> 9-10am, for CCE alumni who are now Seniors in high school, they come talk to the 6<sup>th</sup> graders about share a memory from elementary school and a word of advice for the 6<sup>th</sup> graders
- Doing lots of hiring – 9 positions, adding mental health and special ed and GT, adding additional teachers for Kindie and 1<sup>st</sup> grade, social worker
- Spring Book Fair – discussed whether to take Scholastic dollars (\$5792.54) or cash (\$2896.20) from Scholastic, for our spring book fair earnings
  - i. Library is in need of funds to purchase new books, updated nonfiction books, etc
  - ii. Unfortunately, the items available to purchase through Scholastic dollars are not a good match for what we need for the library, discussed potentially choosing to take the lower cash amount as a result
  - iii. We also still have Scholastic dollars left over from past book fairs, due to their limited selection
  - iv. Average age of our catalog of books in the library is 2004, this puts on the low end of school libraries in the area (there is a formula based on average age of books, number of books, etc for a school library to have in its catalog)
  - v. Librarian Jane Gregory is weeding out any books that haven't been checked out in 3 years

VII. Open Discussion

- Denise Dice brought up EduKits (pre-packaged school supply box that parents can purchase for upcoming school year). EduKits company asked if we want to order extras for parents who don't buy one, to sell at School Supply Drop Off or Back to School Night. Discussed the risk of over-ordering and not selling them all. We will send multiple emails to parents giving them the opportunity to order EduKits by the deadline, and will not purchase extras.

VIII. Next PTO Meeting Date: Tuesday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> from 6-7pm

IX. Adjournment