

MINUTES OF A MEETING
OF THE PTO COUNCIL FOR
GLENRIDGE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
Friday April 23, 2021

A meeting of the PTO Council for Glenridge Elementary School was held, as scheduled pursuant to due notice on Friday April 23, at 2:00pm CST via zoom conference.

The following members of the Board were present at the meeting: Joanna Dinsmore, Co-President; Lynn Courter, Vice-President; Mary Bower, Treasurer; Leslie Hamel, Secretary; Denise Stouffer, Teacher-Representative; Beth Scott, Principal.

The following ex-Officio Advisors and members were present: Kathryn Yorg.

Principal's Report: Beth Scott

Mrs. Scott has received class placement requests for next year. Teachers are thoughtfully working towards creating class lists. Class lists and teacher placements will be shared with families around the 1st week of August.

Next year we anticipate continued mask-wearing. Spacing for next year may be adjusted more towards 3-6 feet rather than 6-feet apart. Glenridge is working towards creating a video tour of the building for future incoming families. Remote learning options for next year may involve 3rd party programs such as 'Launch.' More future discussions to happen. Nurse Heather will continue her role as Covid-coordinator for the district. Nurse Corliss will remain in our building next year. Mr. Trankle has resigned from the district and a new teacher will join Glenridge staff. Glenridge Counselor Mrs. Spann will be retiring this year and Jennifer Todd will be joining in the counseling position.

Field Day will be happening in-person this year, just within classrooms (not as CLAYMO groups as in previous years). Parent involvement may be simply just support from outside the school fence this year. More information coming.

5th grade promotion planning is underway. It will look different this year. Outdoor events with 2 parents per child, with speeches from Mrs. Scott and Glenridge teachers. Music from Glenridge students and a special, wrapped cookie treat for each student. Allow for another car parade in conjunction with local police.

Teacher Representative Report: Denise Stouffer

PE Teachers & students enjoying the turf field and new soccer goals - Thank you.

PTO Council Update: Susan Kronemer

(Susan unable to attend today; notes via Joanna.) PTO Council Jumpstart meeting to take place May 4 via zoom, 6:30pm for new and returning PTO board members. Susan's last year as Glenridge liaison.

Presidents' Report: Joanna Dinsmore & Lilly Scharff

Request from Jen Riley, Asst. Director of the ESA for \$700 of funds for books for summer academy students. Find-out if there are any Scholastic Book credits to go towards the ESA so that students could choose 2 books each - Leslie will get back to the group.

We will be switching to “SchoolKidz” to use for next year's school supplies. Supply registration to go out the 1st week of May. Supplies to be delivered to families homes the week of August 8 (in 1 box rather than multiple).

CEF campaign to honor Dr. Dougherty’s retirement. More information to follow.

Vice-President’s Report: Lynn Courter

We still have open positions: grade liaisons, Read-A-Thon, school supplies, spirit wear, among others.

Treasurer’s Report: Mary Bower

\$364 raised from 5th grade cookbooks so far.

Funds for Excellence raised around \$1,000 this year. A vote in-favor for funds to go towards covering mural painting in Glenridge cafeteria. Approved, unanimous.

The next PTO meeting will be on Friday, May 21, 2021 at 2:00pm CST via zoom conference.

Conclusion

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:58pm.

Respectfully submitted,

_____ Leslie Hamel, PTO Secretary